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RedEye's Kyra Kyles covers the CTA like nobody else, but she can't be everywhere all the time. That's why she's looking for a few CTA spies. To meet her growing band of spies and to join up, visit her blog at [redeyechicago.com/goingpublic](http://redeyechicago.com/goingpublic).



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# VEEPSTAKES

**OBAMA HEADING BACK TO SPRINGFIELD, WHERE CAMPAIGN BEGAN**

## Associated Press

**SPRINGFIELD** Amid growing speculation on his choice of a running mate, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama plans a return to the city where he launched his campaign.

Obama's campaign said Tuesday he plans an appearance Saturday in Springfield, where he kicked off his bid early last year in front of the former Capitol where Abraham Lincoln once served.

Obama likely will have made his choice of running mate by the time he returns to Springfield. There was no word Tuesday on whether his pick will appear with him. The Obama campaign remained in a near blackout for information about his decision and when exactly it will be announced.

Those believed to be on his short list also were keeping mum. Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius, rumored as a possible choice, professed no inside knowledge of when word would come.

Obama addressed the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Orlando on Tuesday morning and didn't reveal his choice. But some political observers think Sen. Joseph Biden of Delaware, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman, could have the edge. In Orlando, Obama called him "my friend Sen. Joe Biden" and praised him for proposing an additional \$1 billion of reconstruction projects in the Republic of Georgia after the Russian invasion.

Then Obama headed off for a bus tour of North Carolina and Virginia to discuss economic issues through Wednesday, leaving his schedule open at the end of the week for an announcement. The Democratic National Convention is set to begin Monday.

In Warren, Mich., on Tuesday, Sebelius wouldn't say if she expects to be chosen and said she doesn't know the timetable for naming Obama's choice. "I think a week from tomorrow we will all know," she said.



Barack Obama will appear Saturday in Springfield and could announce his running mate. mcr

Only Obama, his wife, Michelle, a handful of his most senior advisers and his two-member search committee know for certain who has been vetted and discussed. Staffers were already in place to aid Obama's pick, including more than a dozen seasoned operatives who have set up shop in a section of the campaign's Chicago headquarters.

Campaign manager David Plouffe has said that Obama supporters would receive first word of Obama's decision through a mass text message, but otherwise the team has revealed little about

what to expect. Historically, presidential tickets then tour battleground states to maximize media exposure, and Obama is expected to do the same.

A similar decision looms for Republican presidential candidate John McCain. In hopes of grabbing the post-convention spotlight from Obama, McCain is considering naming his running mate in the few days between when the time Democrats leave Denver and when the Republicans begin their nominating convention in St. Paul.

## The main contenders

The lists of potential running mates for Barack Obama and John McCain are widely believed to be down to the following. AP

### Obama



**Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius**



**Delaware Sen. Joe Biden**



**Virginia Gov. Tim Kaine**



**Indiana Sen. Evan Bayh**



**New York Sen. Hillary Clinton** (seen by some Democrats as a long shot)

### McCain



**Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty**



**Former Mass. Gov. Mitt Romney**



**Former Penn. Gov. Tom Ridge**

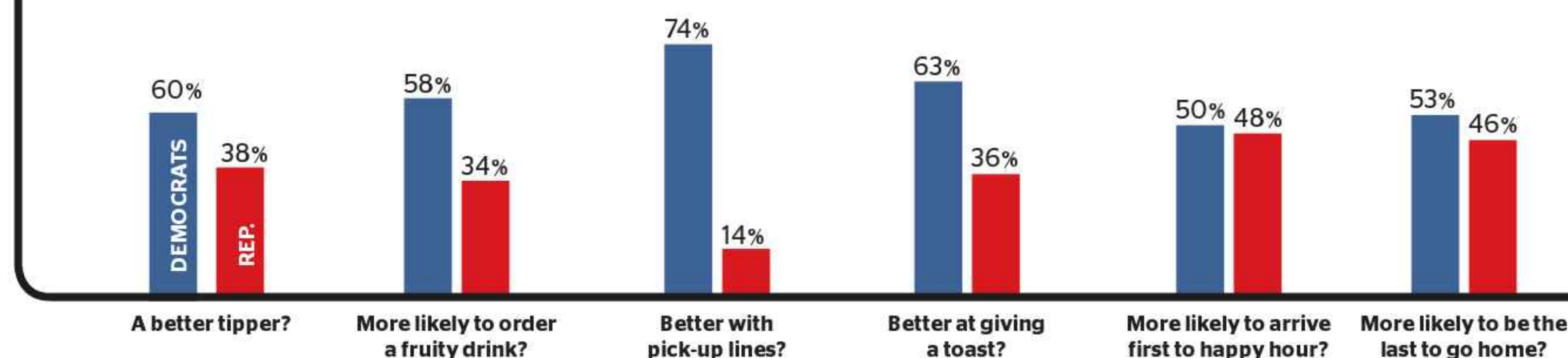


**Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman**

## Cocktail party

### What your political affiliation says about your bar behavior

Democrats are better tipplers and give better toasts than Republicans, who tend to order their drinks straight up, according to a survey of 100 D.C.-area bartenders released Monday by Deerfield-based Beam Global Spirits & Wine. Here's a look at the cocktail party politics. REDEYE

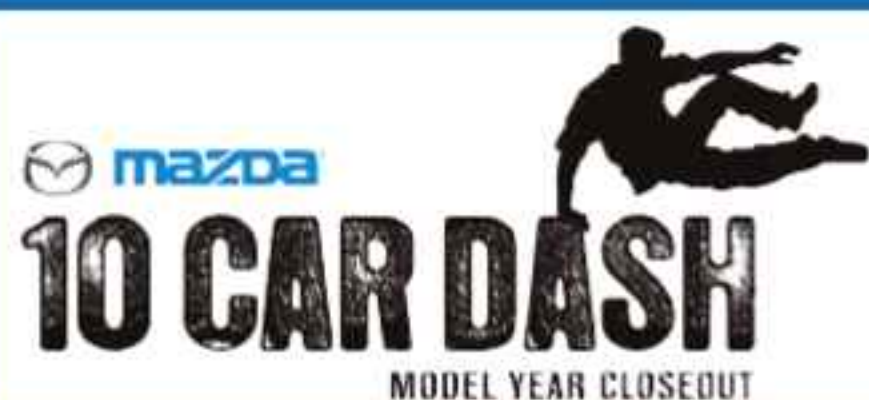






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# When CTA rides go to the dogs

Passenger fired up over pup on bus

Riders want more transit, but it will be a while for service changes—including the Circle Line and possible extensions to the Orange and Red Lines—according to Tuesday's "Going Public." Those projects are all in the first phase of a five-step process the CTA must complete before requesting mass transit moola from the federal government to put them in motion.

"Going Public" columnist Kyra Kyles asked riders which extension or enhancement they'd like to see fast-tracked. In the meantime, here are rider thoughts on other transit topics.

## Pet peeve

On [Aug. 10] at approximately 11 a.m., I boarded a crowded southbound No. 147-[Outer Drive Express] bus at Berwyn/Sheridan Road. I noticed immediately that a woman, who was not blind, and her non-Seeing Eye dog in a carrier were sitting in two seats on the bus in the handicapped section, no less.

While I wasn't on the bus when the woman paid her fare (perhaps she paid for two seats), several of us standing bus patrons who complained were told by the bus driver and the supervisor he consulted that as long as the dog was not bothering anyone, it was allowed on the bus.

I have reviewed all CTA documentation that is available to the public and see no mention of a rule that allows pets to board—much less sit in a seat when there are paying customers who have to stand. This was ridiculous and should not have been allowed by either the bus driver or the "supervisor."

KIMBERLY DANIEL, 37, RAVENSWOOD

## Nice racks

I just wanted to comment on how happy I am with the bike racks on the CTA buses. I have been taking the No. 84-Peterson bus to the lake bike path to then bike to work. I love it. The bus is almost always punctual, and the driver's friendly.

I have a chance to read on the bus then have a very scenic bike ride and get my exercise in for the day. It takes me about 15 minutes more to get to work, but it is well worth it. My only worry is that other commuters will find out how great this is, and I'll have to fight for one of the two spots on the bus bike rack.

JILL NIEMI, 35, EDGEBROOK

## Show some respect

This happens daily when I ride the CTA. Young clueless people who are too lazy or don't respect the "seniors priority seating" section. Please move. Get off your lazy butts and walk to the back of the bus and make room for the people who you know will be getting on the bus.

It's not that hard. It shouldn't take a look and glare for you to have some respect for your elders, people with disabilities or expecting mothers.

ROBERT WILSON, 35, GOLD COAST

## CLICK ON AND SOUND OFF

Weigh in on more transit topics and join Kyra's official CTA spy program at [redychicago.com/ctablog](http://redychicago.com/ctablog).



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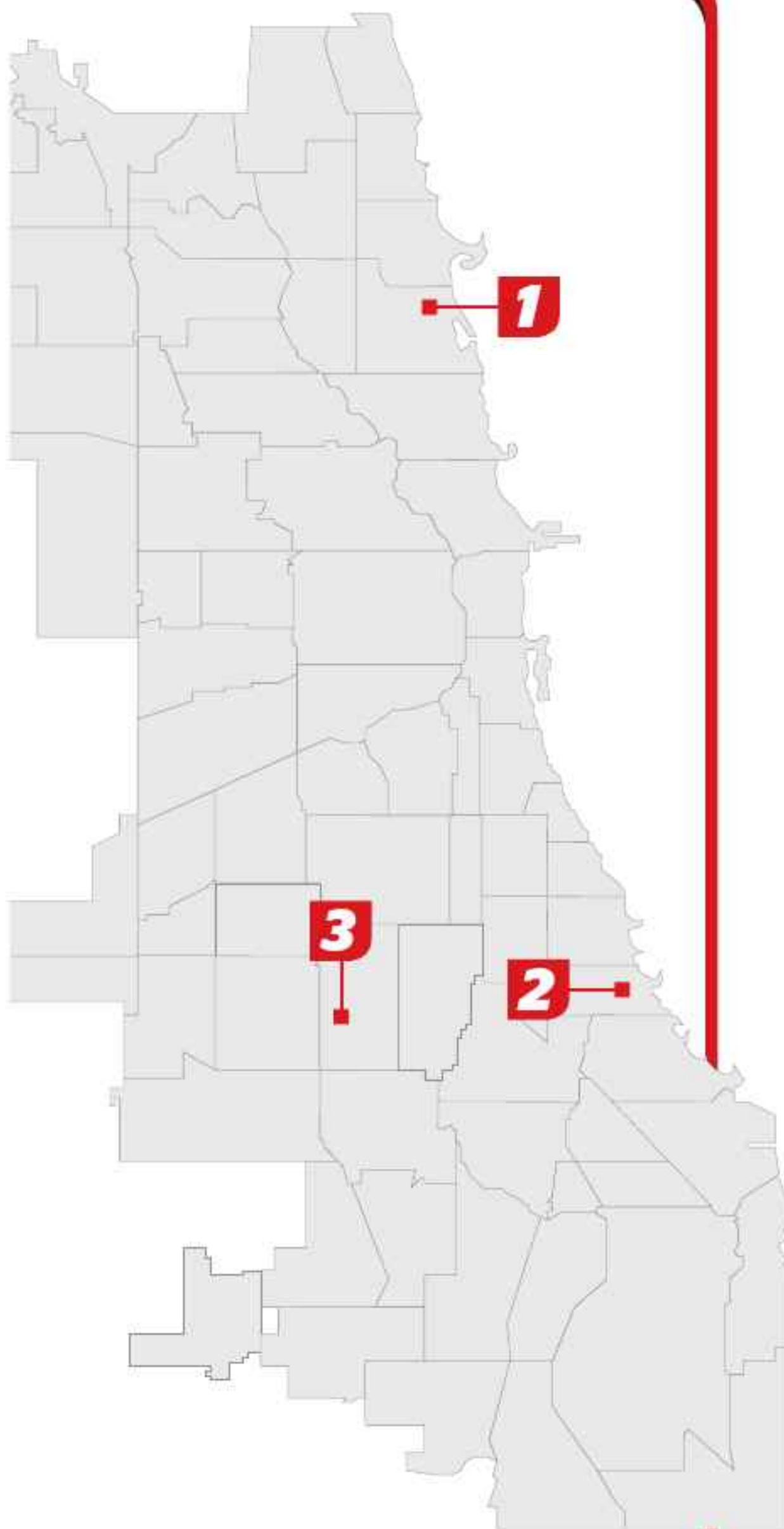


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## CRIME WATCH



### 1 Man shot in Lakeview

A 27-year-old man was shot in the thigh late Monday in Lakeview. The shooting happened about 11:40 p.m. in the 800 block of West Grace Street. Police said the victim was shot by a man during a verbal fight between the two. Police said they are still looking for the suspect.

### 2 Landlord set afire

The landlord of an apartment building in Woodlawn was in critical condition Tuesday after he apparently was doused with gasoline and set afire by a former tenant, Chicago police said. Officers responded to a fire in the 6300 block of South Ellis Avenue and found the 77-year-old man.

### 3 Teen stabbed by brother

A 14-year-old male was stabbed by his brother in a "domestic-related incident" at a West Englewood home Tuesday, police said. The teen was stabbed about 12:50 a.m. in the home in the 6700 block of South Wolcott Avenue, police said. His male sibling was placed in the custody of his parents and has not been charged, police said.



Family and friends follow the casket of Chicago Police Detective Robert Soto on Tuesday as it is taken out of St. Francis of Assisi Church on the Near West Side. Soto and his friend, Kathryn Romberg, were shot last week during an armed robbery. **MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE**

## 'A man of courage'

### Family, friends and colleagues remember slain Chicago officer

#### Chicago Tribune

As Rev. Donald Nevins brought the funeral mass of Chicago Police Detective Robert Soto to a close Tuesday, the quiet was interrupted by a police car's blaring siren, a fitting punctuation to a service honoring the 23-year veteran slain last week.

Police officers in formal dress, including Supt. Jody Weis, and Soto's friends and family members filled the pews of St. Francis of Assisi Church on the Near West Side to pay tribute to Soto's service and easygoing spirit.

Soto, 49, was off duty when he was shot and killed last week along with his friend Kathryn Romberg, 45, a supervisor with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, in what police have called an armed robbery. Soto was the second Chicago officer slain this summer.

"Bobby was a man of courage, conviction, strength and compassion," Soto's brother-in-law Robert Galvan said. "He

was taken away from us too soon."

"It's a stark reminder of the violence that all police officers face every day, a reminder of the evil that still exists in this city and this society," Weis said before the mass. "There's no way that Officer Soto lost his life in vain. It makes the officers of this department want to work even harder to make sure our city is safe and that our citizens are protected."

Galvan described Soto as modest and good-natured, remembering how he once laughed his way through a broken ankle, cracking jokes until the ambulance arrived. He also spoke of how Soto enjoyed using his back yard for Hawaiian luaus and New Year's Eve parties for his family.

"He had this loud, deep laugh that would make everyone laugh along with him, even if they didn't know what they were laughing about," Galvan said.

Outside the service, officers who had worked with Soto said he would play prac-

tical jokes and try to keep spirits high in the face of a difficult job.

"He never brought baggage to work, he was always in a good mood," said Sgt. Ruben Ramirez, who worked in the same district as Soto in the mid-1990s. "He was someone you always wanted to hang around because he was always positive."

Denise Pacini recalled traveling to New York with Soto and about 30 other police officers shortly after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks to assist with search-and-rescue efforts. "He wore his heart on his sleeve," she said.

The funeral came a day after Jason Austin, a 26-year-old West Side resident, was charged in the slayings of Soto and Romberg. Police said Soto gave a description of his attackers before losing consciousness.

"He died a policeman," said Kenneth Watt, a member of the Fraternal Order of Police board of directors.



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# Man sues over tapeworm

A man who contends he got a 9-foot tapeworm after eating undercooked fish is suing a Chicago restaurant.

In a lawsuit filed Monday, Anthony Franz says he ordered salmon salad for lunch from Shaw's Crab House in 2006 and fell violently ill.

He later passed the giant parasite, which a pathologist determined came from undercooked fish, such as salmon.

Franz's lawsuit seeks \$100,000 from Shaw's and its parent company, Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises.

Franz claims the restaurant's staff was negligent in serving him improperly cooked fish.

Carrol Symank, vice president of food safety for Lettuce Entertain You, he says the tapeworm didn't come from Shaw's Crab House.

## SYMPTOMS

According to the Mayo Clinic, most people who are infected with tapeworm don't show symptoms. But when symptoms do occur, they can include:

- >> Nausea
- >> Loss of appetite
- >> Diarrhea
- >> Weight loss and inadequate absorption of nutrients from food
- >> Weakness
- >> Abdominal pain

# Dude, where's my car?

Nicholas Meiers first thought his car had been stolen. Why else would his Honda Fit vanish from his deeded parking space in the middle of the night?

Before he called police, he remembered that when he moved into his Albany Park condo more than a year ago, there were signs posted by Lincoln Towing Service warning that interlopers would be towed.

Meiers was no interloper, but he decided to call the towing company. Sure enough, his car was there—and he'd have to pay \$170 to get it back.

A worker at the Ravenswood tow lot told Meiers that Lincoln Towing had a contract with his building dating back to 1999. She said that to park in his spot, he needed to display a special blue sticker on his car's windshield.

Meiers told her he had never heard of the contract or the need for a sticker. He paid the \$170 but called police and reported his car stolen—by Lincoln Towing. Police said they could do nothing.

So Meiers faxed Lincoln Towing to cancel the 1999 contract. He filed complaints with the Illinois Commerce Commission and the Better Business Bureau. His neighbor heard his story and e-mailed the Tribune's problem solver, "What's Your Problem?"

"We haven't parked in our spot [since then] because we're afraid we're going to get towed again," Meiers said. The Problem Solver called Lincoln Towing on Aug. 12 and spoke to a man who identified himself as Fred. He took down Meiers' information and promised to look into it.

Two days later, Lincoln Towing responded through Meiers' online Better Business Bureau complaint, saying it would refund his money if he called them. Meiers called. Fred took Meiers' credit card number and on Friday, Lincoln Towing refunded Meiers his \$170.

## WHAT NOW?

The Problem Solver called Fred again Tuesday, who assured him that "everything is fine." Fred refused to discuss specifics of Nicholas Meiers' case or whether the 9-year-old contract had been torn up.



## What a mess

A fire in the 2300 block of North Central Park Avenue on early Tuesday morning damaged two garages, officials said. There were no injuries reported. **MICHAEL TERCHA/TRIBUNE**

# Oops! TSA blunder delays flights

A blunder by a federal security officer who was inspecting aircraft forced American Eagle to delay 40 flights Tuesday at O'Hare while the planes were examined for possible damage, airline officials said.

The Transportation Security Administration officer was conducting routine checks to make sure that planes parked at the airport overnight were secure from potential tampering, according to the federal security agency

and American Airlines, which owns and operates American Eagle.

But while ensuring that aircraft doors were properly locked, the inspector either stepped onto or grabbed sensitive avionics probes mounted on the fuselage of nine American Eagle planes, officials said.

"There is a sign that clearly says, 'Don't step,'" said American spokeswoman Mary Frances Fagan.

No damage was found on any air-

craft, but the inspections took up to two hours for each plane, according to Fagan.

The grounding of that many planes caused 40 flights to be delayed for American Eagle, a commuter airline that operates mostly short flights around the Midwest.

The security agency will retrain its inspectors to prevent a future recurrence, TSA spokesman Elio Montenegro said.

# Shhhh, governor ... no talking please

Officials have announced that on the opening night of the Democratic National Convention, three of Gov. Blagojevich's biggest potential rivals in the 2010 contest for governor are getting a speaking spot.

According to the Tribune's "Clout Street" political blog, State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulis, a longtime loyalist of Sen. Barack Obama, will speak. So will Illinois Comptroller Dan Hynes and Illinois Atty. Gen. Lisa Madigan.

But not Blagojevich.

Blagojevich has had an embattled tenure as Illinois chief executive. Elected as a reformer, his administration is the subject of myriad federal investigations involving contracts, jobs and fundraising.

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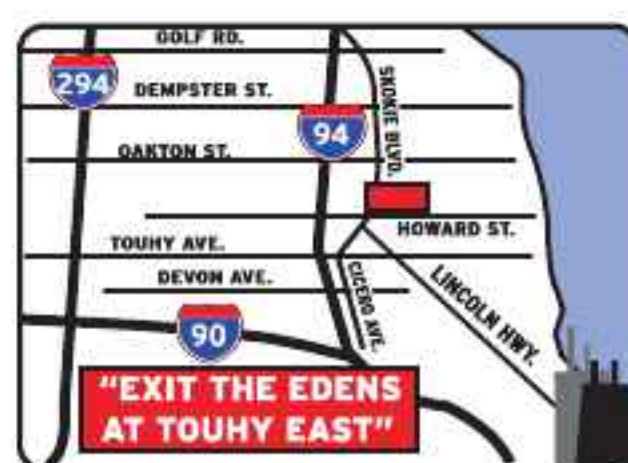
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# Clinton: We can fix energy

**7 LAS VEGAS** The U.S. can capture the world's imagination by creating an energy independent state, territory or nation, former President Bill Clinton told the audience at an energy summit.

"We have got to convince people this can be done and it would be good economics," Clinton told the politicians and energy experts meeting at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

"There should be one state to prove you could do it—and it should be you," Clinton said Monday. "I promise if you do, it would rock the

world."

Clinton said Puerto Rico would be a prime candidate for energy independence because it imports most of its power at a high cost to the people.

Clinton also suggested several nations, including Rwanda, Papua New Guinea or one of the Caribbean nations—places that have low power demand and are sunny and windy.

The group plans to develop recommendations Tuesday and bring them to the Democratic and Republican parties.

## CAN IT BE DONE?

Jim Owen, spokesman for Edison Electric Institute, the private utility industry's trade association, called Clinton's agenda "ambitious" but said it included suggestions that the nation's utilities would support, such as expanded research for carbon dioxide storage and accelerating a shift toward plug-in hybrid electric cars.



## 1 Gee, you're tall

It looks so real, but it's actually a giraffe archery target on the grounds of the Saginaw Field & Stream Club in Thomas Township, Mich. The course is set so archers will shoot at it from 58 yards away. **AP PHOTO**

## 2 Major flooding

Flooding receded Tuesday around McAllen, Texas, and main highways reopened after a deluge of as much as 13 inches of rain drenched the area.

## 3 iPod problems

Apple said Tuesday that batteries from a single supplier are to blame for the meltdown of some models of its iPod nano. The Cupertino, Calif.-based company's written statement came in response to a Japanese government report that two iPod Nanos overheated in Tokyo, scorching nearby paper and a woven straw mat.

## 4 Suspect crushed

Authorities in Delta Township, Mich., say a shoplifting suspect died after being crushed in a trash compactor where she was hiding. Police said two women fled a TJ Maxx after spraying a security guard with Mace.

## 5 Speedy deliveries

Make that three babies—count 'em, three—to go. Babies in a hurry made for a memorable Monday morning for firefighters in and around Rochester, N.Y., who were summoned three times to deliver infants in cars.

## 6 Diabetes link?

A new analysis of government data is the first to link low-level arsenic exposure, possibly from drinking water, with Type 2 diabetes, researchers say. But the study's limitations make more research necessary.



**8** Boy, is it windy!! But it could have been a lot worse. Tropical Storm Fay moved inland Tuesday after making landfall in southwest Florida, never growing into the hurricane that forecasters had cautioned it could become. **AP PHOTO**



## BY THE NUMBERS

U.S. consumers have been buying significantly fewer cell phones but paying higher prices for them, according to the research firm NPD Group. Here's a look at cell phone sales.

**28 million:** Number of cell phones sold in the U.S. in the second quarter.  
**13%:** Decline in sales in Q2, compared with the same period last year.

**\$2.4 billion:** Total value of the cell phone market.  
**2%:** Decrease in market value from a year ago.

**\$84:** Average cost of a cell phone.  
**14%:** Increase in average cell phone costs from a year ago.





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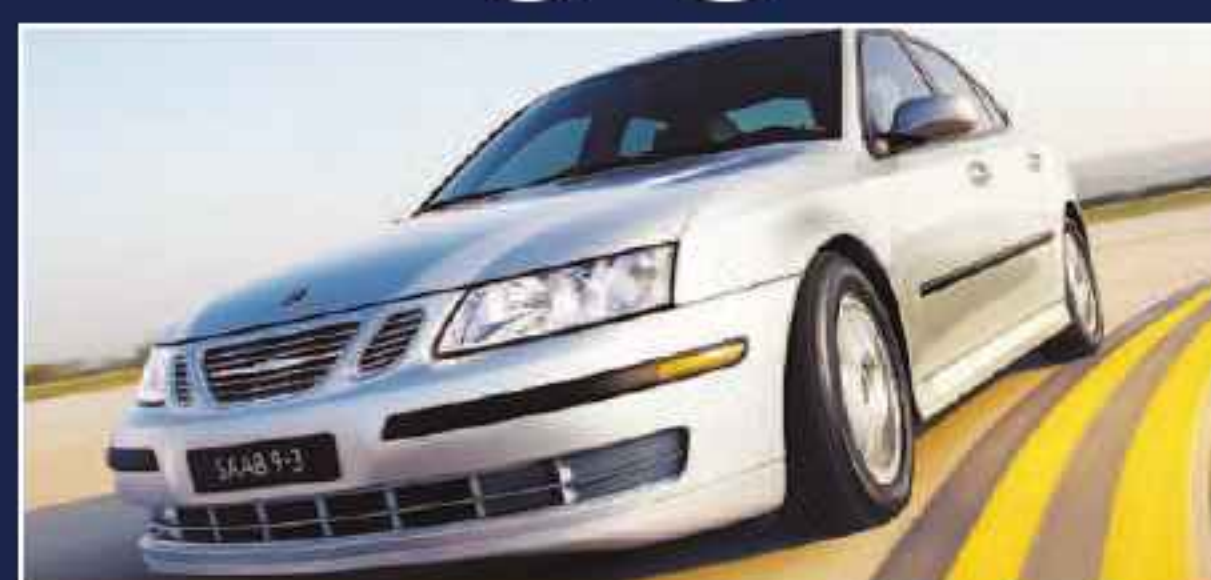
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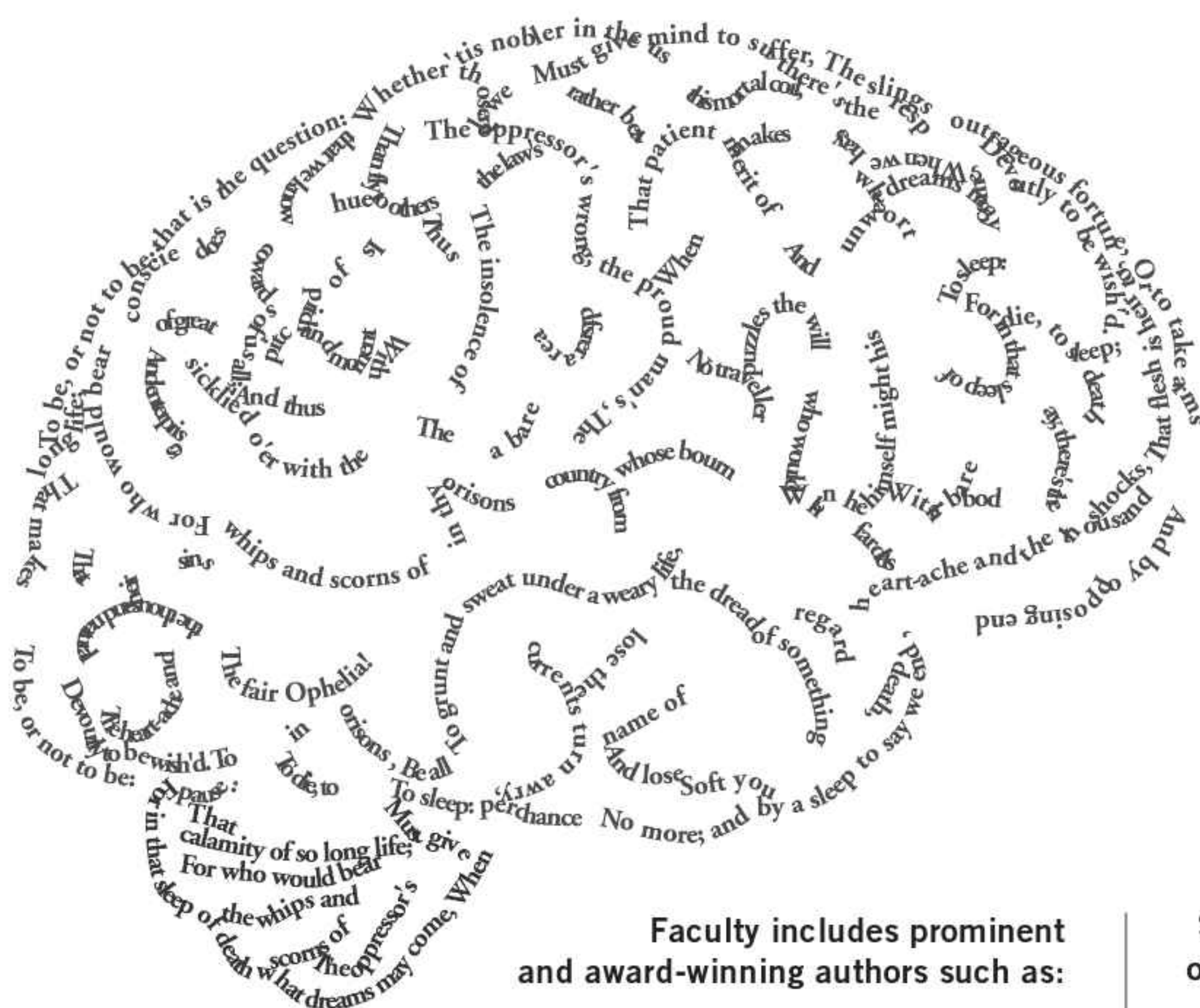
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# India dialing up new safe sex campaign

**1 NEW DELHI** Don't be alarmed—or offended—if you hear a cell phone ring with a ringtone that chants “Condom, condom.”

In India, where condoms carry a strong social stigma and HIV and AIDS are growing problems, it's the newest idea being promoted as a way to promote safe sex.

The a cappella ringtone features a professional singer chanting the word condom more than 50 times, a playful approach that public health activists hope will spark discussion and make condoms more socially acceptable.

“We've made a conscious effort to move the concept of the condom away from negative association, like HIV and sex work,” said Yvonne MacPherson, country director of BBC World Service Trust India. “Condoms are actu-

## DIGITS

### 2.5 million

Number of people in India infected with HIV  
**270 million:** Number of mobile phone users in the country

**60,000:** Number of times the “Condom, condom” ringtone has been downloaded since it was launched on Aug. 8

ally health products and if you have a condom and you use it, you are seen to be smart and responsible.”

The BBC group, which is funded by The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, hopes the condom ringtone can make people in India more comfortable with safe sex issues.



## 2 Rocker freed

Authorities freed British glam rocker Gary Glitter from prison in Vietnam on Tuesday. Vietnamese authorities planned to deport Glitter from Ho Chi Minh City immediately back to Britain, said his lawyer, Le Thanh Kinh. Glitter, whose real name is Paul Francis Gadd, was convicted in 2006 for incidents involving two girls, ages 10 and 11.

## 3 Killed over iPod

A 14-year-old boy in Seuri, India, has been arrested on suspicion of murdering a younger student who refused to hand over her iPod, police said Tuesday. The boy allegedly pushed the 10-year-old girl off a 30-foot bridge then climbed down and strangled her unconscious body Monday, said police officer Swapna Banerjee.

## 4 Bombing kills dozens

A suicide bomber rammed an explosives-rigged car into a police academy in Les Issers, Algeria, as recruits lined up to register for classes, killing at least 43 people. It was the deadliest attack in the North African country since the 1990s. The Interior Ministry said 42 civilians and a police officer were killed.

## 5 Taliban kill 10

Insurgents ambushed a group of elite French soldiers as they climbed a mountain pass near Surobi, Afghanistan, killing 10 troops in a militant stronghold outside the capital. In a separate attack, a team of suicide bombers tried unsuccessfully to storm a U.S. base near the Afghanistan-Pakistan border. French paratroopers and a Foreign Legion soldier were among the dead.



**6 CAIRO** Fire erupted Tuesday in Egypt's parliament, but no injuries were reported. Thick black smoke could be seen billowing over downtown Cairo, and traffic was brought to a standstill. Terrorism was not suspected. AP PHOTO



**7 LAHORE, PAKISTAN** Pakistani lawyers Tuesday celebrate the resignation of President Pervez Musharraf during a rally. Meanwhile, also on Tuesday, the U.S. said that if Musharraf were to request residence in the States, officials would examine that request. GETTY IMAGES



**8 YAO, JAPAN** Hey! Move that plane, will ya? This Cessna made an emergency crash-landing into an intersection Tuesday, but no one was seriously injured. The plane suffered some bumps and bruises, though. GETTY IMAGES



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2008 SUMMER OLYMPICS At left, the banner reads "Beijing Olympic Games" in Mandarin.



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## Looking for Beijing bling

As you know, we just came off a great victory over South Korea on Tuesday. They had a much shorter front court, which really gave me the opportunity to get in a groove and take advantage of the height difference and score 26 points. Everyone keeps asking when I'm gonna dunk, and I'm trying. We are still looking forward to winning that bling, and when I say bling I don't mean bronze or silver. Only gold for this lady!

» I had a chance to visit the Great Wall of China last week, and let me tell you something, it took my breath away.

» The men's team has been at every one of our games, which has been a huge support. It's a great feeling knowing that you have LeBron, Kobe, Chris Paul and D-Wade cheering for you! We are right there supporting them as well.

» I've had a chance to watch swimming, which everyone here has been talking about. Mr. Michael Phelps — that guy is a machine!

### personal fowles

The Chicago Sky's Sylvia Fowles blogs her Olympic experiences for RedEye



Sylvia Fowles goes up for a shot Tuesday as South Korea's Jongae Lee looks on. GETTY IMAGES

# Syl the deal

Chicago's Fowles 'dominant' in win, U.S. reaches semis

### Associated Press

**BEIJING** Sylvia Fowles and the U.S. women's basketball team were too big for South Korea to handle.

Fowles scored 26 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead the U.S. to a 104-60 rout of South Korea on Tuesday night and advance to the semifinals of women's basketball.

"I just wanted to come out and make a statement that I'm back and let my teammates know," Fowles said. "I haven't played well since the first two games and I've been down on myself not

contributing as much as I'd like."

It's the sixth straight Olympics that the Americans have advanced to the medal round. The only time they didn't qualify for the semis in the history of women's basketball was in 1980 and that's because the U.S. boycotted the Moscow Games.

The Americans will face either Russia or Spain in the semifinals Thursday night. China plays Australia in the other semifinal.

Against South Korea, the 6-foot-5 Fowles was a force on both ends of the

### CHICAGO SPOTLIGHT

**Candace Parker**, eight points: "They couldn't match up with our size."  
**Cappie Pondexter**, 11 points

floor, giving the Americans second and third attempts with offensive rebounds. On the defensive end she was altering or blocking shots.

"She was dominant tonight," said Kara Lawson, who added 11 points for the U.S. "It's hard to remember that she missed six weeks with that knee injury."

### U.S. OLYMPIC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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# Her biggest hurdle

Harper beats odds to win gold in 100-meter

## Chicago Tribune

Dawn Harper considers Jackie Joyner-Kersey a mentor, even choosing Joyner-Kersey's husband, Bobby, to coach her.

On Tuesday night the Belleville native followed Joyner-Kersey to the top step of an Olympic podium. It's a destination few believed she would reach, especially after she had arthroscopic knee surgery in February and made the U.S. Olympic team by .007 of a second.

But in Beijing on Tuesday, Harper won the women's 100-meter hurdles. The six-time state hurdles champion clocked a personal best 12.54 seconds for the gold medal.

Ignoring her jitters and the gasps generated when leader Lolo Jones stumbled over the next-to-last hurdle, Harper won the gold medal in a personal-best 12.54 seconds. She couldn't believe it at first, or for hours afterward.

"It hasn't sunk in yet," she said. "I have the medal and I'm holding it but it's so surreal. It's a blessing.

"It's going to hit me maybe in the morning and I'm going to cry, thanking God." **AP CONTRIBUTED.**

## TOUGH BREAKS

Lolo Jones, 100-meter hurdles

**The heartbreak:** She held a commanding lead until she slammed into the ninth of 10 hurdles Tuesday night. Jones struggled to keep her balance and finished seventh.

**The reaction:** Jones dropped to her knees in despair, folding her body to the track and resting her head on her hands. There she stayed, all alone, for a few minutes.



Harper



Jones



Richards

**Sanya Richards, 400 meters**

**The heartbreak:** She was touted over the Bird's Nest PA system before the 400-meter final as "No. 1 in the world the last three years." Richards also was about to win—taking a lead into the final 80 meters, began slowing and finished third. She blamed her fade on a tightening right hamstring.

**The reaction:** She hardly looked thrilled while receiving the bronze medal, sighing after receiving her flowers. Minutes later, she was sobbing into a cell phone, sitting on the floor in a hallway beneath the stands.

## OLYMPIC HITS



**Gymnastics:** Shawn Johnson and Nastia Liukin went 1-2 in the all-around, but it was the other way around in the balance beam. In fact, Johnson came into the balance beam finals with three silvers. While

Johnson finally got her gold, Liukin's fifth medal of these games matched the most ever for an American female gymnast at a single Olympics. Mary Lou Retton did it in 1984 and Shannon Miller in 1992. The U.S. got its only men's individual medal when Jonathan Horton took silver on high bar.

**Boxing:** The boxing highlight of the day was when light heavyweight Dzhakhon Kurbanov of Tajikistan bit Yerkebulan Shynaliyev of Kazakhstan on the shoulder and was disqualified. The crazy thing? Evander Holyfield, he of the Mike Tyson ear-biting incident, was at the arena. ... The U.S. beat Taiwan 4-2 in baseball. They play Japan Wednesday.

**Beach volleyball:** "Holy Talita!" NBC announcer Chris Marlowe said during the Brazilian's beach volleyball match against Americans Kerri Walsh and Misty May-Treanor. **AP**

## MEDAL STAND

Total medals through late Tuesday (Chicago time)

1. U.S. 79  
2. China 76  
3. Russia 42

Gold medals through late Tuesday

1. China 43  
2. U.S. 26  
3. Great Britain 16



## AMERICAN PIE

A breakdown of the medals won by the U.S. Olympic team

## MEDAL HEADS

Anna Tunnicliffe

Tunnicliffe won the gold in Laser Radial sailing after coming from behind in the final medal race to finish second and secure the top spot on overall points.

Henry Cejudo

The son of undocumented Mexican immigrants who had to work two jobs to keep food on the table, Cejudo gave the U.S. its first Olympic gold medal in freestyle wrestling in 16 years Tuesday with a stunning win over Japan's Tomohiro Matsunaga in the 55-kilogram (121 pounds) final.

## PHELPSMANIA

Move over, Tony the Tiger, here comes Olympic champion Michael Phelps. The record-setting swimmer will soon be appearing on boxes of Kellogg's Frosted Flakes and Corn Flakes. Phelps poses with his eight gold medals for the Aug. 25 edition of Sports Illustrated, which hits newsstands on Wednesday. Meanwhile, swim clubs and coaches across the nation say there has been a surge of interest since Phelps began collecting his eight gold medals.

## BEST OF TV

Wednesday's schedule

**7-8 p.m.**—NBC—Jamaica's Usain Bolt, who ran a world-record 9.69 to win the 100 meters, now takes on an event he knows something about—the 200. He had run the 100 in competition five times before he set his first world record in the event in June. Michael Johnson predicts his world record of 19.32 set eight years ago in Atlanta will fall to Lightning Bolt.

**10-11 p.m.**—NBC—In a live telecast, Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh are out to defend their gold medal.

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<b>1</b> One track star curled up and cried—how would you react to losing a big race?	Stop dating. What's the point if you can't outrun them?	By condemning my shoes to Mike North's feet. YOU HAVE FAILED ME FOR THE LAST TIME!	During the medal ceremony, I'd sneak up and pants the gold medalist.	I'd whine and complain and try to get Obama to make me the VP candidate.	Destroy. Everyone.
<b>2</b> After several Sports Illustrated covers, what other magazine should feature Michael Phelps?	I'm hoping for In Touch Weekly.	WQ (Wedgie Quarterly).	Cat Fancy. Why? Why not?	Bad Teeth Aficionado.	Wired. Is there another magazine?
<b>3</b> Besides Lightning Bolt, come up with another nickname for Usain Bolt.	Barack Usain Obama.	Sorry, the image from No. 1 threw me off my game.	Bolt 45. Doesn't make much sense to me, but Billy Dee likes it.	Usain In The Membrane.	Tyson's Coroner.
<b>4</b> If the Bengals can give repeat offender Chris Henry another chance then ...	... punch will become the preferred drink of the NFL. Or mug-shot.	... someone will give Pacman Jones—oh, wait, that's right, the Cowboys have no shame.	... Cedric Benson could already be on his way back to Chicago. Everyone hide!	... Mike North and The Score can ... nahhhh.	... maybe I can give humanity a pardon. ... NEVER! HAHAAHAHA!
<b>5</b> People.com says a musical about David Beckham is in the works. Make up one of the songs.	"I want your Becks / It's playing on my mind/It's dancing on my sole."	"I Kissed a Girl."	There's already a song about the Beckhams called "Muskrat Love."	"I'm Taking My Own Head Screwing It On Right And No Guy's Gonna Tell Me That It Ain't"	"I feel pretty, oh so pretty ..."

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# Harden enjoys home cooking

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Rich Harden allowed two hits in seven innings, struck out 10 and bunted in the go-ahead run for his first career RBI, leading the surging Cubs over the Cincinnati Reds 5-0 on Tuesday night.

The NL Central-leading Cubs improved to a season-high 29 games over .500 at 77-48. Chicago has won seven of eight and 17 of its last 21.

Harden (3-1) reached double digits in strikeouts for the fourth time in seven starts since the Cubs acquired him from Oakland on



» Cubs players Carlos Zambrano and Geovany Soto will help officials break ground on a new baseball field in Humboldt Park on Wednesday. The \$2 million stadium, dubbed Little Cubs Field, will replicate several elements of Wrigley Field at a size fit for youth players and is expected to open for next spring's baseball season, said Michael Lufrano, Cubs senior vice president for community affairs.

July 8. He won a duel with Johnny Cueto (8-12), who gave up four hits over seven innings in the fast-paced game.

Harden, who picked up his first win at Wrigley Field, didn't walk a batter and allowed singles to Jeff Keppinger in the fourth and Chris Dickerson in the sixth. Dickerson was the lone Red to reach scoring position when he stole second with two outs before Harden fanned Keppinger.

Carlos Marmol pitched a scoreless eighth and Kerry Wood gave up a two-out single to Keppinger in the ninth while completing the three-hitter.

Cueto (8-12) allowed just the one run while walking two and striking out six.

Geovany Soto had a leadoff triple in the fifth when his long drive to right-center hit off the glove of a diving Corey Patterson.



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## Washington forges on

Faced with elimination from the Little League World Series for the second straight game, Mill Creek, Wash., came through in the clutch. Alex Jondal drove home Jason Todd (left) on a deep single to left field with two outs in the bottom of the seventh to give Washington a thrilling 3-2 win Tuesday to advance to the U.S. semifinals.

## Joliet stars in NASCAR calendar

NASCAR released its 2009 schedule. In addition to a Sprint Cup (July 11) and Nationwide (July 10) race in Joliet, Chicagoland Speedway will host a Craftsman Truck night race on Aug. 28.

## HOMETOWN HITS



**WHITE SOX 5, MARINERS 0**

Clayton Richard pitched six innings for his first major league win, Nick Swisher and Jim Thome homered, and the White Sox beat the Seattle Mariners 5-0 on Tuesday night. Ken Griffey Jr. hit a go-ahead sacrifice fly against his former team as the White Sox and maintained a one-game lead over second-place Minnesota.

» Despite a recent power surge, Guillen said he isn't tempted to elevate Alexei Ramirez in the batting order.



Peyton Manning made it to his first practice Tuesday, then ended his self-imposed silence, saying he wanted to play in the Colts' opener Sept. 7 vs. the Bears—although he couldn't provide a guarantee. "As to when I'll be back on the practice field, that's to be determined. My goal is to be back for the first game," said Manning, who had knee surgery July 14.

» DE Mark Anderson is out for Thursday's exhibition game after undergoing minor thumb surgery.



Anderson attended Monday's practice but sat out. He was nowhere to be seen Tuesday.

» Thursday will mark the Bears debut of running back Kevin Jones, who expects to get limited work against the 49ers.

## AND FINALLY ...

» With their two Pro Bowl receivers hurt, the Bengals brought back troubled WR Chris Henry, a move that coach Marvin Lewis had emphatically ruled out last month as inappropriate.

» Warren Sapp will join the crew of "Inside the NFL," which moves to Showtime this fall.

» Hall of Famer Dan Fouts is returning to CBS as analyst. He was at ABC since 1997.

## Former usher stars on minor-league mound

A former ballpark usher threw four shutout innings for the Schaumburg Flyers at Alexian Field on Monday night.

Mike Weida went from ticket-taker to reliever in the Flyers' 6-4 loss to the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks, the team said in a news release.

Weida, of Mount Prospect, did not allow a hit in four innings, walked two and struck out two.

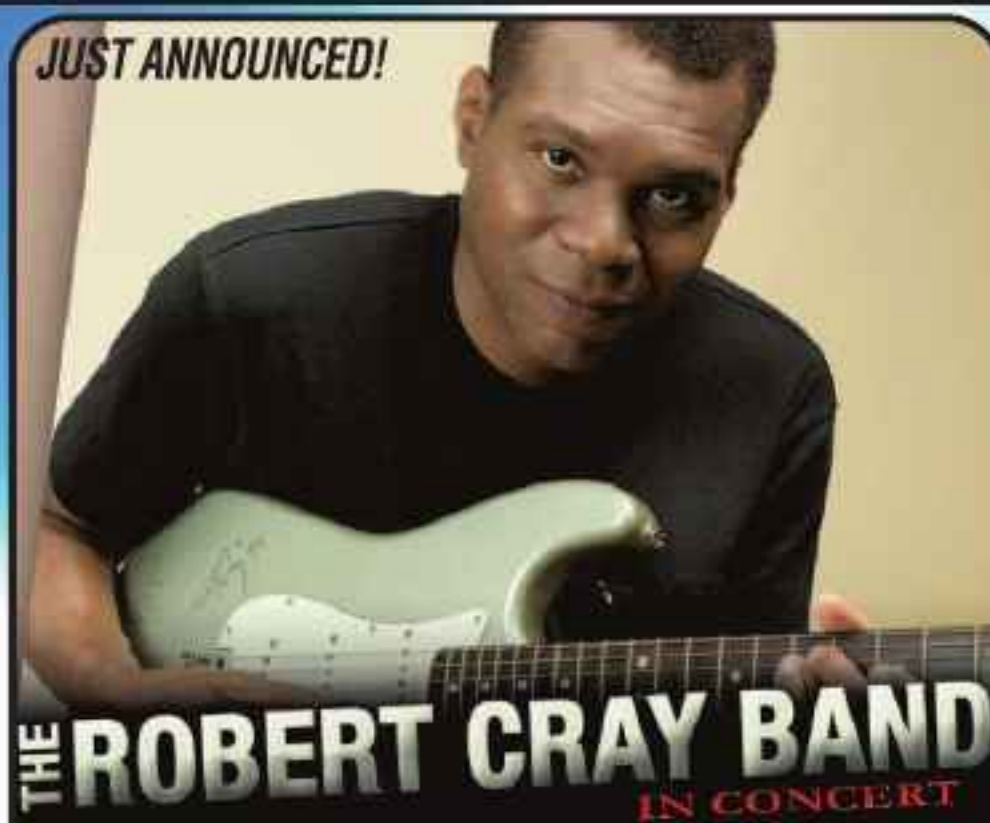
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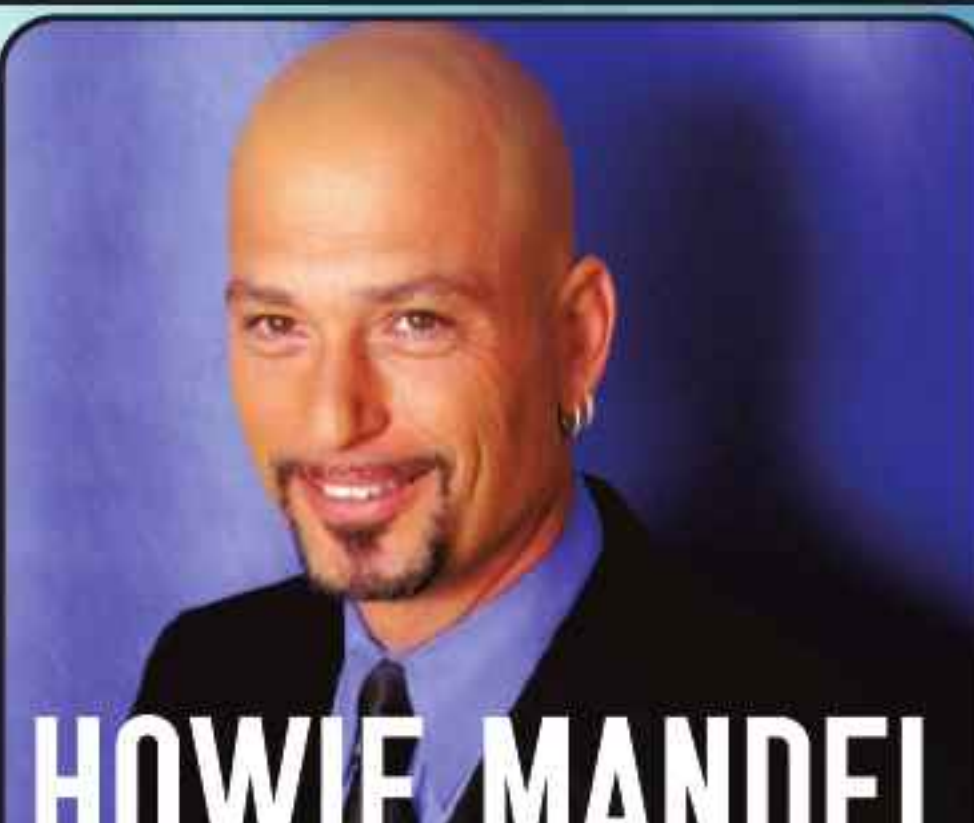
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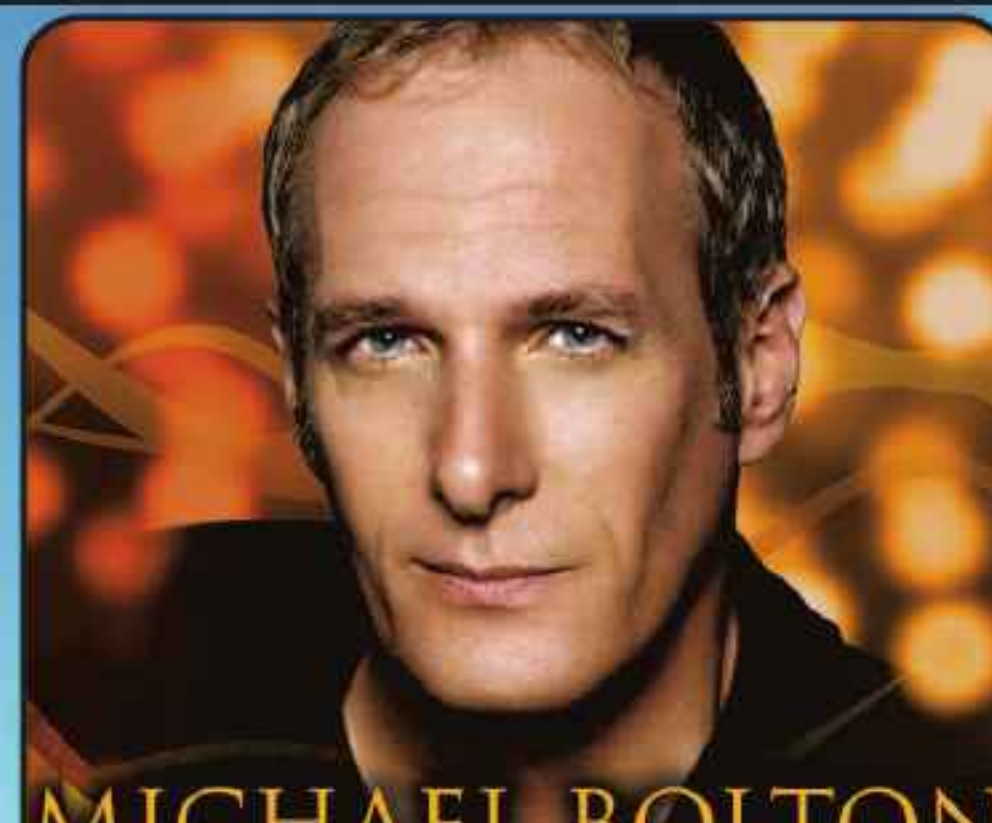
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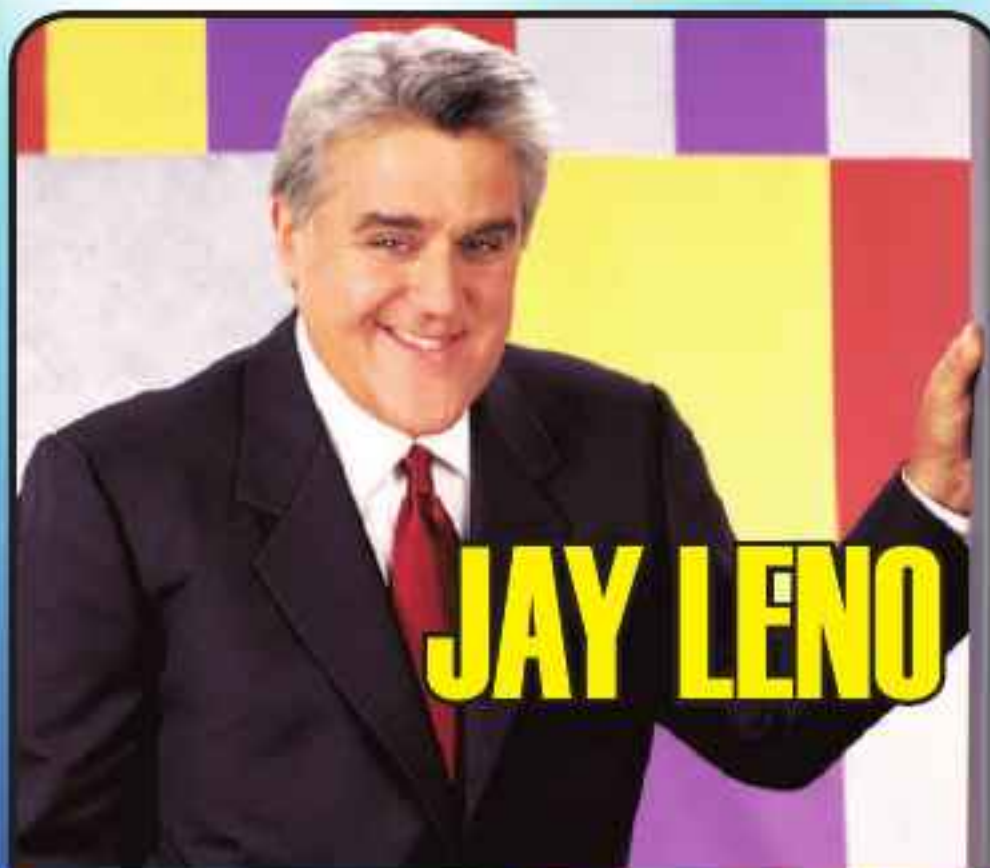
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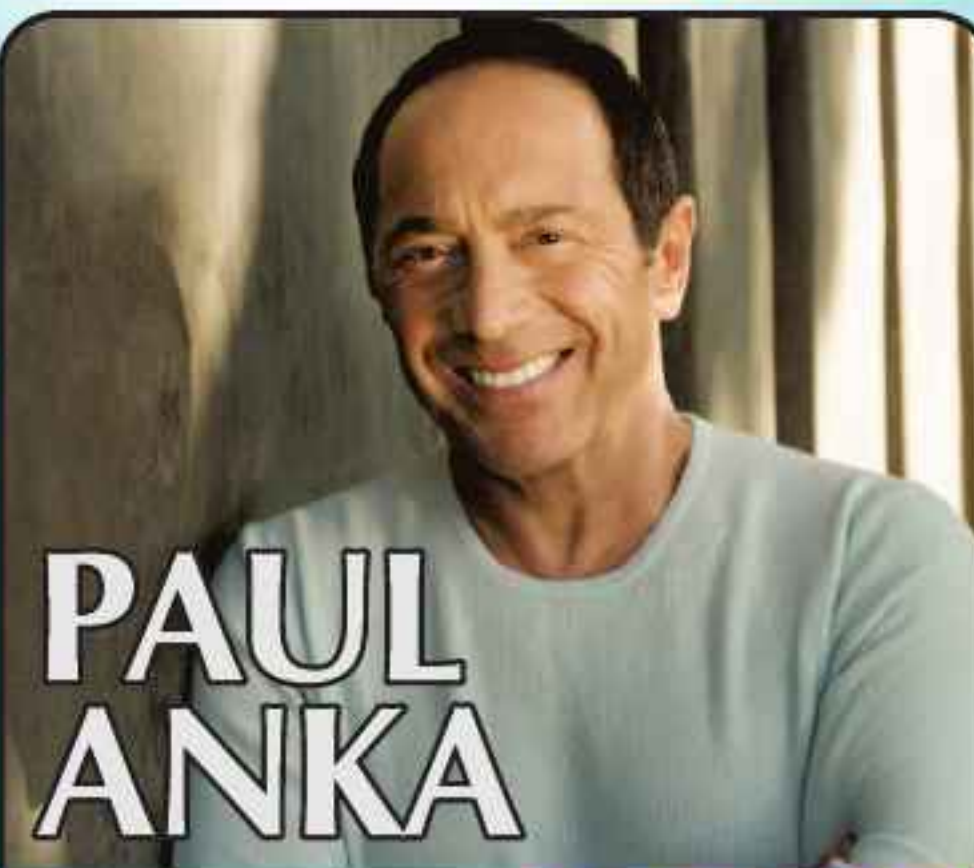
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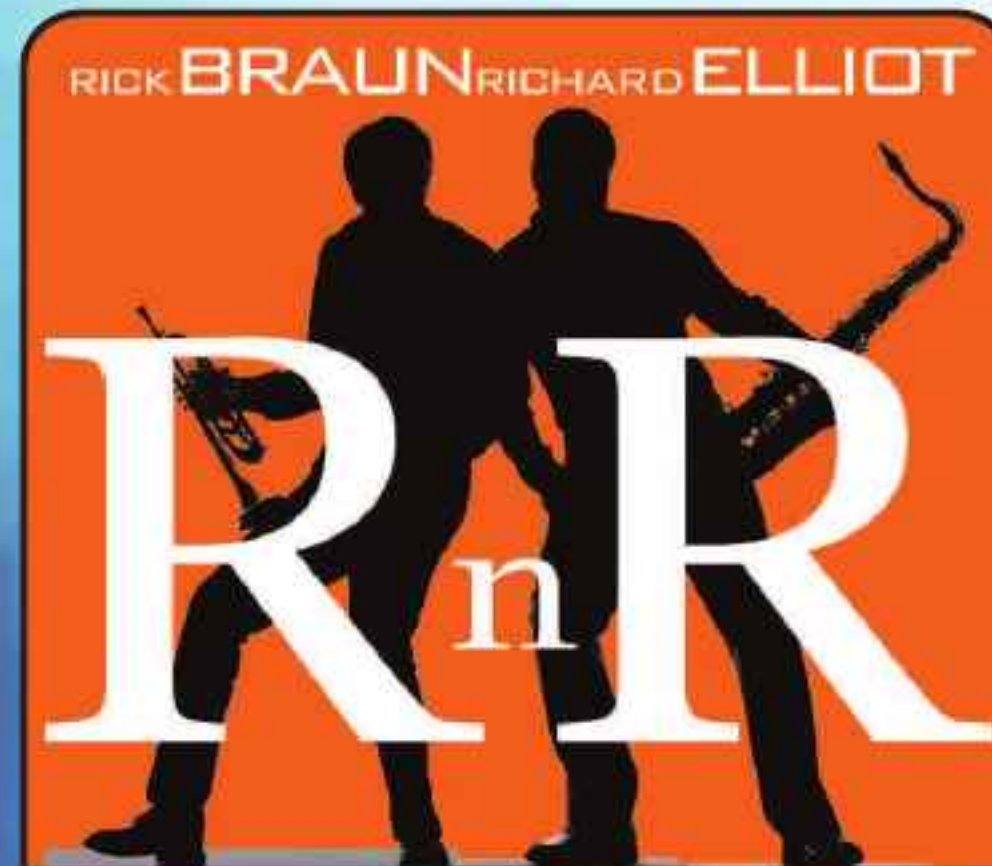


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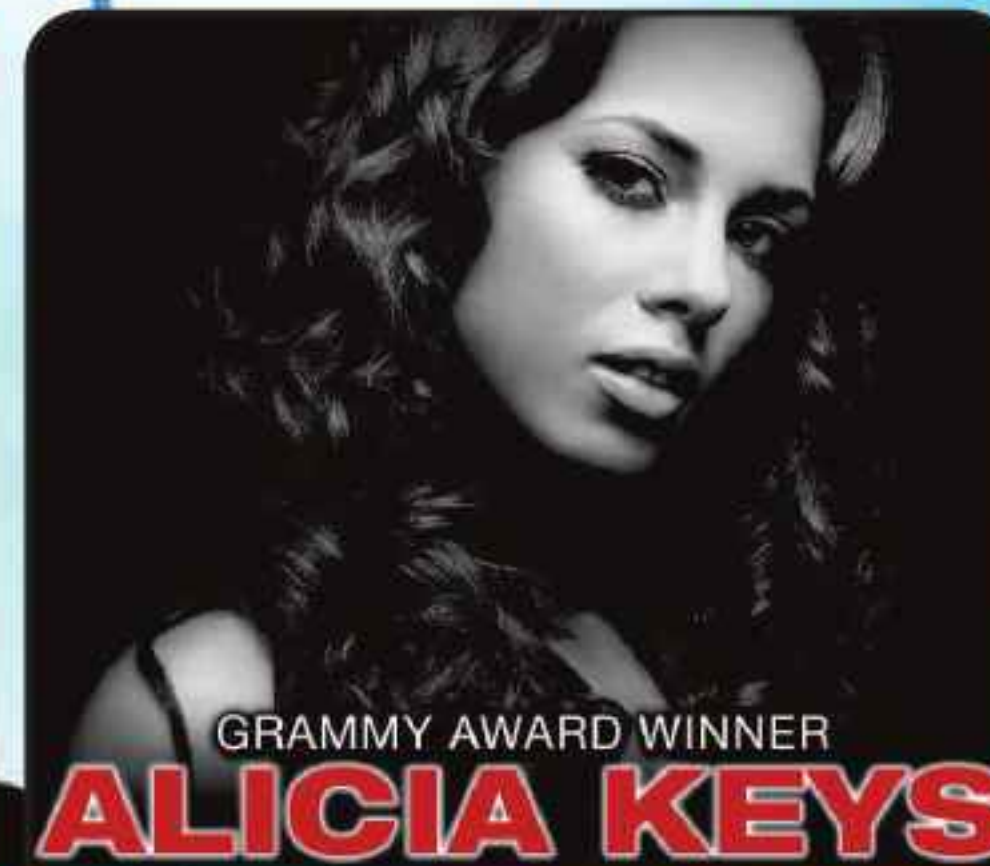


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## Season's greetings

By the Metromix staff

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Face it: Fall is right around the corner.

It's not all bad. We've got 10 reasons to look forward to the season.

10 reasons we're looking forward to fall



**10 Fatburger.** We're a little hurt that Chicago hip-hopper Kanye West chose suburban Orland Park for the site of his first Fatburger location, due to open next month. But West's shiny new fast-food franchise—part of the California empire once partially owned by Montell Williams and Magic Johnson—hopes to spawn nine other Chicago area openings, including one in Beverly early next year.

**1 The Publican.** Pork-loving, beer-swilling foodies of Chicago, your wait is almost over. The highly anticipated spot (845 W. Fulton Market) from the all-star team behind Blackbird and Avec (among others) is set to open in the Warehouse District as early as Sept. 15. The menu will spotlight sustainable seafood and heirloom pork, and the Belgian-heavy beer list is easily the best we've seen at any restaurant in town.



**2 Bull and Bear.** Is pouring your own beer an uber-cool convenience or part of hospitality's slow demise? We're leaning toward the former, which is why we can't wait to try Bull and Bear's tableside taps. The upscale sports bar (431 N. Wells St.), which expects to open mid-October in River North, will feature the service at five booths, each equipped with two taps, one domestic and one import.

**3 Tango Sur sibling.** What's better than red meat and BYOB wine? Red meat and caipirinhas! Expect a meat-focused menu and late-night tapas when the folks behind Lakeview's always-packed Tango Sur take their show to Wicker Park in early fall. Just leave the brown bag at home—the as-yet unnamed spot opening at 2100 W. Division St. won't be BYOB.

**4 Sunday Parkways.** Bike the Drive won't return until Spring 2009, but this new event lets cyclists tour city boulevards without motorized distractions. Two separate neighborhood routes link Logan Square with Humboldt and Garfield Parks (Oct. 5), and Garfield Park with North Lawndale and Little Village (Oct. 26) from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 312-377-5727.



**5 Aritzia.** This Canadian retailer is debuting its first U.S. store east of Seattle by early September in our very own Water Tower Place. The women's-only shop will stock big-name brands like Marc by Marc Jacobs and See by Chloe, plus made-for-them styles from labels like Naked & Famous, a denim line sourcing only super-dark Japanese fabric. 835 N. Michigan Ave., Floor 3.

**6 Tiny Lounge.** Closed by the Brown Line expansion in 2006, the beloved Tiny Lounge will reopen this fall in the former Charlie's on Leavitt location (4352 N. Leavitt St.). Expect the same low-key atmosphere with a little more elbow room.

**7 Chicago Gourmet.** Get an upscale taste of Chicago at this new foodie fest in Millennium Park (Sept. 26-28), where nary a foil-wrapped turkey leg treads. Expect signature eats from Rick Bayless, Mindy Segal, Art Smith and other culinary celebs, plus wine tastings, cooking demos and—oh yeah—a hefty entrance fee: \$150 or \$250 for a weekend pass. 312-380-4128.

**8 Andrew Bird.** Plan to arrive early—real early—when Chicago native Andrew Bird headlines a sure-to-be-packed free show at Millennium Park's Pritzker Pavilion. It's the only Chicago show this year for the eclectic artist, who's earned widespread acclaim for his genre-crossing sounds. 6:30 p.m. Sept. 3, 201 E. Randolph St. 312-742-1168.

**9 Morse Theatre.** While a recent fire may have pushed back the opening date of Rogers Park's Morse Theatre, the season's

most anticipated music venue expects to open early October with local acts including Chicago Afrobeat Project and Angel Mendez. Lots more local and national jazz, folk and blues acts to come. We can't wait. 1328 W. Morse Ave. [themorse.com](http://themorse.com).

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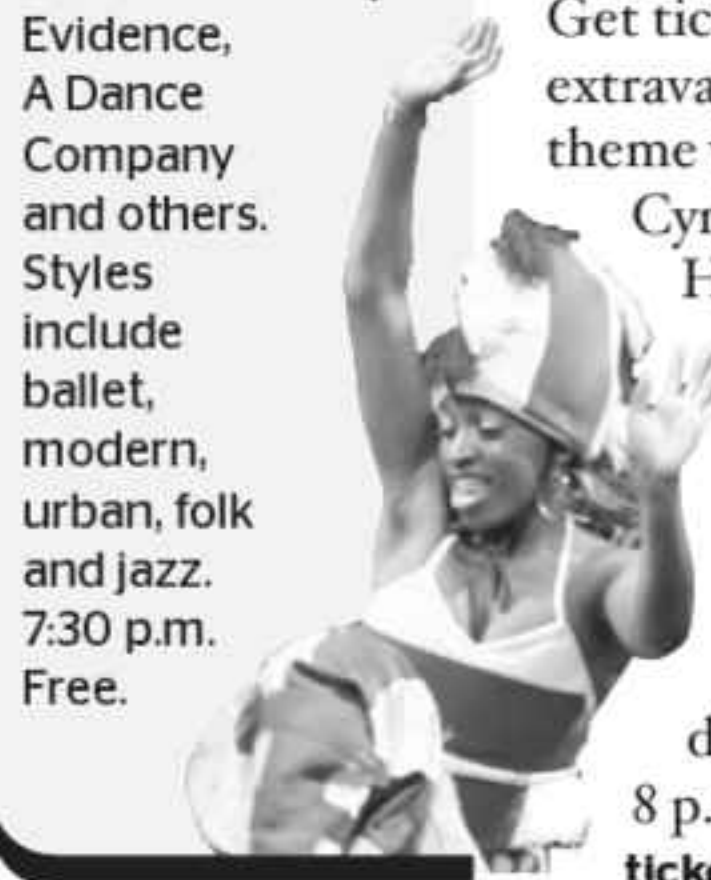
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# Bounty hunters

Local chefs are snapping up August's best produce, and you can too

By Mindy Yahr

Summer's winding down, but the season's bounty is just hitting menus at restaurants around town. Whether you want to get your hands on some farm-fresh produce at **Green City Market** (Lincoln Park, 1750 N. Clark St.) or you'd rather leave the cooking to a pro, here's where to turn for some of August's best pickings.

## Sweet corn

**Eat it:** At Shawn McClain's veg-focused West Town spot **Green Zebra** (1460 W. Chicago Ave. 312-243-7100), chef de cuisine Molly Harrison cooks down local sweet corn and mascarpone to fill pocket-like agnolotti pasta, then tosses the pasta with pieces of grilled corn, chantrelles and blueberries (\$14). Harrison says the agnolotti, one of the larger dishes on Green Zebra's mostly small plates menu, will remain through the season, which lasts into September. Look for seasonal changes to some of the other ingredients—Harrison might swap plums for the blueberries, for example—in the coming weeks.

**Buy it:** Harrison's sweet corn comes from **Nichols Farm** in Marengo, Ill., a family farm that prides itself so much on selection that it boasts the tagline, "Variety is our Specialty." At Green City Market, you can pick up Nichols' sweet corn for your next barbe-

## Field day

At West Loop standout **Sepia**, chef Kendal Duque highlights Seedling Orchard with a special "fruits from the farm" brunch. Options on the four-course menu include melon soup, a souffle pancake with roasted apples, an applewood-smoked bacon and peach sandwich, and more.

**Where:** 123 N. Jefferson St. 312-441-1920

**When:** 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sept. 7  
**Cost:** \$25 per person

cue (50 cents/ear), grab an apple (Nichols raises more than 200 varieties), or try one of the farm's more unique offerings, like jostaberries, a cross between black currants and gooseberries.

## Peaches

**Eat it:** Carol Wallack, chef-owner of North Center's Asian- and Hawaiian-influenced American eatery **Sola** (3868 N. Lincoln Ave.

773-327-3868), focuses her seasonal menu on an August classic. Catch Wallack's peach-inspired prix-fixe menu (\$30 for three courses) before the month is out and you're in for pan-roasted mahi mahi atop diced peaches with soba dumplings, baby bok choy and house-made balsamic sweet soy syrup. Plan ahead: Sola's prix-fixe menu is only available Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Buy it:** Fruit fanatic Peter Klein provides Sola with peaches from his **Seedling Orchard** in South Haven, Mich. The former restaurant marketer grows more than 15 varieties of peaches in addition to apples, pears, plums, nectarines and apricots on the 80-plus-acre farm. Stop by the Seedling booth at Green City Market for a free dried fruit sample or to buy some peaches of your own (\$8/basket, \$3/pint, \$5/quart).

## Heirloom tomatoes

**Eat it:** **May Street Market** (1132 W. Grand Ave. 312-421-5547) buys

produce exclusively from local farmers markets because, as chef Alex Cheswick says, "We survive, they survive." Through October, Cheswick is serving an heirloom tomato salad with wild watercress, zucchini chutney and a panko- and parmesan-crusted fried green tomato (\$10).

**Buy it:** Cheswick gets his tomatoes from **Iron Creek Farm** in La Porte, Ind., which specializes in tomatoes. Through greenhouse growing, farmers Patrick and Tamera Mark stretch their certified organic heirlooms beyond the typical mid-August to October growing season—they're available when Green City Market opens in May. Grab some now while they're hot (\$3/pound), and while you're at it, check out Iron Creek's sweet corn, berries and melons.

## Summer squash

**Eat it:** Faced with a pile of squash in her kitchen, Susan Goss, execu-

tive chef and co-owner of homey neighborhood spot **West Town Tavern** (1329 W. Chicago Ave. 312-666-6175), dreamed up a seasonal salad (\$7.25) featuring shaved summer squash—namely zucchini and romanesco. Goss mixes the paper-thin squash with shaved parmesan, lemon and olive oil, then tops it with parsley leaves and toasted almonds. The salad will be available through August.

**Buy it:** The bounty on your plate at West Town Tavern comes from Beth and Brent Eccles' **Green Acres Farm** in North Judson, Ind., which sells seven kinds of squash (75 cents each; 3 for \$2) at Green City Market. Not a squash fan? The 155-acre farm, founded by Beth's grandfather, also turns out several hundred varieties of veggies, including cucumbers, eggplants, beets, tomatoes, lettuces and herbs.

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5000 ext. 25.

**CHICAGO GREEN CITY MARKET**

9 a.m. Sat.: Being a Chef: French Menu

from Green City Market. Meet at the market, then return to The Alliance Francaise (810 N. Dearborn St.) to prepare a meal. \$75-\$85; 1750 N. Clark St. 312-337-1070.

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2 p.m. Sat.: Outdoor grilling class. Chef Eric Smith leads an alfresco class featuring dishes such as basil chicken with prosciutto. Includes samples, beer and wine. \$45; 364 W. Erie St. 312-640-1156.

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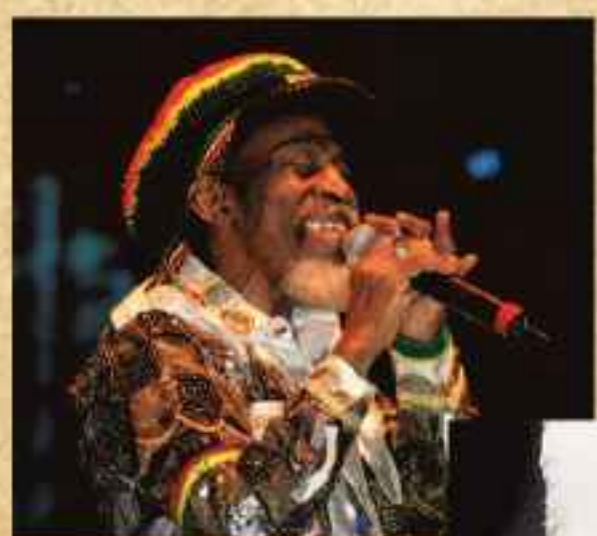
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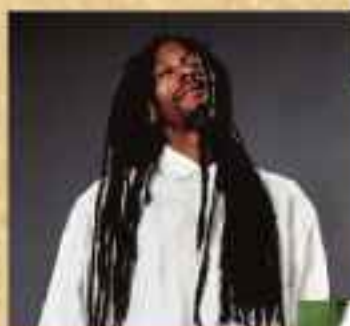
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**Empires (from left): Max Steger, Al Smith, Ryan J. Luciani, Tom Conrad, Sean Van Vleet**  
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## 'There has been blood'

**Local rockers Empires bicker over songs—but stay true to their name**

**By Matt Pais**

From the rockin', love-me-or-else fury of "I Want Blood" to the sunny pop of "Believe!" to the sexy funk of "Late Night Rendezvous," the debut from Chicago quintet Empires is either refreshingly unpredictable or totally all over the place. But you've got no reason not to give it a listen.

That's because the group released the self-produced album "Howl" as a free download (at [weareempres.com](http://weareempres.com)) in hopes of gaining attention through word of mouth. (Unlike those cheapskates Radiohead and Girl Talk, who allowed free downloads but gave users an option to pay.) So far, the strategy's paying off. Not only does the record achieve a strange, roller-coaster cohesiveness, but in its first two months alone, "Howl" has been

downloaded and shared more than 25,000 times, all over the U.S. and as far as Kenya and Saudi Arabia.

Before the band headed out on its first East Coast tour, we sat down with singer-songwriter Sean Van Vleet, 25, and guitarist/former The Academy Is ... touring member Tom Conrad, 24, at Wicker Park spot Handlebar to talk about Empires' Chicago roots and what chaos results when Van Vleet presents his work to the band to approve, reject or flesh out.

**Sean, what's going through your head when you present a song to the band?**

**Sean Van Vleet:** These guys are piranhas. That's what it is. You guys are going to tear

this thing apart. And maybe one chunk will get salvaged. One chunk of the song gets salvaged and I got to start all over. ... And it drives me insane. But it's rewarding. I love it. These guys are haters, let me tell you.

**Tom Conrad:** There's stuff that [someone will] come to me and go, "I [freaking] hate that. Are you out of your mind?" and [another] dude will be, "This is great."

**So nothing's sugarcoated in those discussions?**

**SVV:** Absolutely not. Holy [crap]! I can't believe you said that. Nothing is sugarcoated. [Guitarist Max Steger] slightly dabbles a couple sprinkles on, but that's about it. But that's what makes it work. We've all been broken down a million times. And it's the breaking down and building up that made "Howl," and it's the breaking down and building up that's going to make our next record. You have to go through storms.

**Then all the songs that made it onto "Howl" were gold right away?**

**TC:** There's songs on the record I wish didn't make the record.

**SVV:** We all feel that way. You can't win 'em all, man.

**TC:** There's something for everybody on the record. There's stuff that was really influenced by the Beatles. There's stuff that was really influenced by early '90s music.

**Still, "Howl" really doesn't sound like a first record.**

**SVV:** It's been about a year and a half, and it feels like it's been a lot longer. I think any band goes through roughly what a family goes through. There are domestic altercations. ... There has been blood.

**Speaking of which, there seems to be a vicious Internet debate about the many bands named Empires.**

**SVV:** We got letters from bands. People were really upset about it.

**TC:** They started threatening us! I'm like, "What, are you going to come and beat me up?"

**Seems like bands break up constantly anyway.**

**TC:** Most of the bands that came to us, a month later we found out that they broke up. And [they] started off the conversation being like, "Change your name or we're going to fight you."

### Inside Empires

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**Macpodz, The Brew**, Wednesday, Oct. 8 (\$7, 21+) at Martyrs'.

**Micah Walk Band, Sherri-Anne and Bird, Common Shiner**, Sunday, Oct. 19 (\$7-\$10, 21+) at Martyrs'.

**Claire Stahlecker, Mieka Pauley**, Tuesday, Oct. 7 (\$7, 21+) at Martyrs'.

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Friday**

**The Academy Is ..., We the Kings**, Thursday, Nov. 6 (\$18-\$20, all ages) at House of Blues.

**Mary J. Blige, Robin Thicke**, Tuesday, Oct. 14 (\$59.75-\$125.75, all ages) at Arie Crown.

**Duffy**, Monday, Oct. 20 (\$23.50, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

**Yngwie Malmsteen**, Sunday, Oct. 19 (\$20-\$23, 17+) at House of Blues.

**Nelly and the St. Lunatics**, Tuesday, Oct. 7 (\$38-\$40, 17+) at House of Blues.

**Sister Hazel**, Friday, Dec. 19 (\$25-\$26.50, 17+) at House of Blues.

**On sale noon  
Friday**

**Joseph Arthur**, Tuesday, Oct. 28, Wednesday, Oct. 29 (\$22, 21+) at Schubas.

**Atmosphere, Abstract Rude, Blueprint, DJ Rare Groove**, Sunday, Nov. 16 (\$20, all ages) at Vic Theatre.

**DJ Bald Eagle, DJ STV SLV, Haulin' Boats**, Saturday, Sept. 6 (\$40, 21+) at Schubas.

**Jeffrey Foucault**,

**Kris Delmhorst**, Thursday, Oct. 30 (\$18, 21+) at Schubas.

**Matt Hales**, Tuesday, Oct. 14 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.  
**Oxford Collapse, Love as Laughter, Vacations**, Wednesday, Sept. 17 (\$10, 18+) at Schubas.

**Paul & Storm**, Friday, Oct. 24 (\$15, 21+) at Schubas.

**Pete and J**, Friday, Oct. 24 (\$12, 18+) at Schubas.

**Wreckless Eric & Amy Rigby**, Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$12, 21+) at Schubas.

**On sale 10 a.m.  
Saturday**

**Broken Social Scene, Land of Talk**, Thursday, Oct. 9 (\$25, all ages) at Vic Theatre.

**Coheed and Cambria**, Tuesday, Oct. 28, Wednesday, Oct. 29, Thursday, Oct. 30, Friday, Oct. 31 (\$28.50, all ages) at Riviera Theatre.

**Nikka Costa**, Tuesday, Oct. 28 (\$20, all ages) at Park West.

**Alejandro Escovedo**, Friday, Oct. 17 (\$20, 18+) at Park West.

**Gomez**, Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$27.50, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

**The Hold Steady, Drive By Truckers**, Friday, Nov. 14 (\$27.50, 18+) at Riviera Theatre.

**Metro Station, Shwayze, Tyga, Cash Cash**, Friday, Oct. 24 (\$14-\$16, all ages) at House of Blues.

**Portugal. The Man, Earl Greyhound, Wintersleep**, Friday, Nov. 7 (\$12-\$14, all ages) at Subterranean.

**RTX, Dead Child**, Sunday, Oct. 12 (\$10, 17+) at Beat Kitchen.

**Todd Rundgren and Band**, Monday, Oct. 6 (\$52.50, 18+) at Park West.

**Uh Huh Her**, Monday, Nov. 3 (\$15-\$18, all ages)

**Mary J. Blige**

at Park West.

**Tyrone Wells, Jason Reeves**, Wednesday, Oct. 22 (\$12-\$14, all ages) at Beat Kitchen.

**Lucinda Williams, Buick 6**, Friday, Oct. 24 (\$35, 18+) at Riviera Theatre.

**The Wood Brothers**, Thursday, Oct. 23 (\$15, 21+) at Martyrs'.

**Yard Dogs Road Show**, Tuesday, Sept. 30 (\$15, 21+) at Martyrs'.

**On sale 11 a.m.  
Saturday**

**Kings of Leon, We Are Scientists, The Stills**, Friday, Oct. 31 (\$36, all ages) at Aragon.

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Saturday**

**The Dwarves, Maggot T\*\*t, Knuckle Draggar, Audio Violence**, Saturday, Nov. 1 (\$10-\$12, 21+) at Double Door.

**Fleet Foxes, Frank Fairfield**, Sunday, Oct. 12 (\$14, 18+) at Metro.

**Hail the Black Dragons, The Sleepers, The Attraction, Carta Marina**, Saturday,

Sept. 27 (\$7, 21+) at Double Door.

**MSTRKRFT, Felix Cartal**, Tuesday, Oct. 7 (\$20-\$25, 18+) at Metro.

**Nada Surf**, Saturday, Nov. 29 (\$20, 18+) at Metro.

**Nifelheim, The Chasm, Nachtmystium, Superchrist**, Sunday, Sept. 7 (\$25, 21+) at Double Door.

**Norma Jean, Haste the Day, The Showdown**, MyChildren MyBride, Oh, Sleeper, Thursday, Oct. 30 (\$16-\$19, all ages) at Metro.

**Perfect Red, As the Seasons Grey, Aberrant, Stress Fracture**, Thursday, Oct. 2 (\$5, 21+) at Double Door.

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Sealed bids will be received by the City's Purchasing and Contracts Manager in Room 4200 of the Civic Center located at 2100 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201, until 2:00 P.M. local time Tuesday, September 9, 2008 and will be publicly read thereafter in room 2404. Bids shall cover the following:

2008 GREEN ALLEY  
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(PW-AP-0804A)

Bid Number: 09-41

The above item shall conform to the Request for Bids on file in the Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Manager. The bid document, including all necessary plans and specifications, will be available in the Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Manager on Wednesday, August 20, 2008.

The City of Evanston (the City) in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois, hereby notifies all proposers/bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that the contract(s) entered into pursuant to this Notice will be awarded to the successful proposer/bidders without discrimination on the ground of race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, familial status or national origin. The City of Evanston reserves the right to reject any or all submittals or to accept the submittal(s) deemed most advantageous to the City.

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Each respondent shall be required to submit with their bid a disclosure of ownership interest statement form in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance 15-O-78. Failure to submit such information will result in the disqualification of such bid.

Jewell Jackson  
Purchasing and  
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**WHEREAS**, the current hours for the Amalgamated Branch are as follows:

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Saturday  
8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Drive-up Window:  
Monday-Friday  
7:00 am - 6:00 pm  
Saturday 7:00 am - 2:00 pm;

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the hours for the Amalgamated Branch shall be amended by closing the Amalgamated Branch on Saturdays and amending the weekly operating hours;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Promissory Note and Bank Holiday Act of Illinois, a copy of this resolution shall be filed with the Recorder of Cook County and DuPage County and published once each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that effective October 1, 2008, the operating hours for the Amalgamated Branch shall be as follows:

Lobby Hours:  
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Drive-up Window:  
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Saturday Closed

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Amalgamated hereby authorizes the Executive Vice President and General Counsel of Amalgamated to file a copy of this resolution with the Recorder of Cook County, Illinois and DuPage County, Illinois and publish this resolution once each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, the hours described above shall remain in full force and effect until a copy of the later resolution of the Board of Amalgamated terminating or altering the hours above shall be filed and published in the same manner as described herein.

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The proceeds of the Prior Bonds were used, among other things, to (i) pay or reimburse the Borrower for the costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, remodeling and equipping the hospital, long term care facilities, outpatient care facilities and other health care facilities of the Borrower, the Hospital and the Borrower's Affiliates at the addresses listed below, (ii) provide working capital for the Borrower and certain of the Borrower's Affiliates, and (iii) pay related expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Prior Bonds.

All of the improvements to be financed or refinanced by the Borrower, the Hospital, and the Borrower's Affiliates with the proceeds of the Bonds and the Prior Bonds are or will be initially owned, operated or managed by the Borrower, the Hospital, and/or the Borrower's Affiliates and will be located on land owned, operated or managed by the Borrower, the Hospital, or the Borrower's Affiliates at the following addresses: the approximately 7.22 acres of land at 1390 Bilfer Road, Aurora, Illinois; 820 Route 59, 1124 Stearns Road and 1130 Stearns Road all in Bartlett, Illinois; 3S 105 Wagner Road, Batavia, Illinois; 225 South Gary Avenue, 231 and 235 South Gary Avenue, 245 South Gary Avenue, 455 Scott Drive, and the approximately 2 acres of land located to the north and east of 225 South Gary Avenue, all in Bloomingdale, Illinois; 690 E. North Avenue and 371 S. Schmale Road, both in Carol Stream, Illinois; 444 N. Park Boulevard, 448 N. Park Boulevard, 452 N. Park Boulevard, 875 Roosevelt Road, and the approximately 3.36 acres of land located on Roosevelt Road to the east of 875 Roosevelt Road, all in Glen Ellyn, Illinois; 400 E. Roosevelt Road, Lombard, Illinois; 636 Raymond Drive, the approximately 1.16 acres of land located on the west side of River Road 500 feet north of Ogden Avenue, and the approximately 2.76 acres of land located at the northwest corner of River Road and Ogden Avenue, all in Naperville, Illinois; 2900 Foxfield Road, and the approximately 3.77 acres of land on Foxfield Road located to the west of 2900 Foxfield Road, all in St. Charles, Illinois; the approximately 60 acres of land located at the northwest corner of West Bartlett and Naperville Roads, all in Unincorporated Cook County, Illinois; the approximately 2.36 acres of land located at the northwest corner of Wind Energy Pass and Kirk Road, all in Unincorporated Kane County, Illinois; 27650 Ferry Road, 455 Weaver Parkway, the approximately 9.4 acres of land located in Cantera Gateway on Weaver Parkway known as Lot H-5 west of Mill Street and north of Diehl Road and to the south of Interstate 88, all in Warrenville, Illinois; 1800 North Main Street, 200 Wyndemere Circle, 500 Wyndemere Circle, 401-453 Wyndemere Circle, 7 Blanchard Circle, 120-122 North Main Street, 2001 Wiesbrook Road, 2180 Manchester Road, and the approximately 3.63 acres of land at the southwest corner of Manchester Road and Page Street east of County Farm Road all in Wheaton, Illinois; and 0N 025 Winfield Road, 0N 040 Winfield Road, 0N 050 Winfield Road, 0N 126 Winfield Road, 0N 150 Winfield Road, 0N 211 Winfield Road, 27W 353 Jewell Road, 27W 365 Jewell Road, 27W 350 Highlake Road, 27W 412 Highlake Road, 27W 424 Highlake Road, 27W 444 Highlake Road, 27W 466 Highlake Road, 27W 480 Highlake Road, 27W 560 Highlake Road, OS 004 Willard Way, OS 006 Willard Way, OS 008 Willard Way, OS 033 Church Street, 27W 281 Geneva Road, the approximately 7.6 acres of land located to the west and north of 0N 040 Winfield Road, the approximately 0.23 acres of land located at the northeast corner of Winfield Road and Highlake Road, and the approximately 10 acre "Central Park" to the west of and across the road from 0N 025 Winfield Road, all in Winfield, Illinois.

The Bonds do not constitute a debt of the Authority or of the State of Illinois within the meaning of any provisions of the Constitution or statutes of the State of Illinois or a pledge of the faith and credit of the Authority or of the State of Illinois or grant to the owners thereof any right to have the Authority or the General Assembly levy any taxes or appropriate any funds for the payment of the principal thereof or interest thereon. The Bonds will be payable solely out of the revenues and other funds pledged and assigned for their payment in accordance with one or more loan agreements each between the Borrower and the Authority and the indentures pursuant to which the Bonds are issued.

The above notice of public hearing is required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. At the time and place set for the public hearing, residents, taxpayers and other interested persons will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of financing. Written comments may also be submitted to the General Counsel of the Authority at the Authority's office located at 180 North Stetson Avenue, Suite 2555, Chicago, Illinois 60601 until September 4, 2008.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), if any person with a disability as defined by the ADA needs special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, then not later than September 4, 2008, he or she should contact the Authority at (312) 651-1300.

NOTICE DATED: August 20, 2008

By /s/ Christopher Meister  
General Counsel,  
Illinois Finance Authority

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DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

Sealed proposals, endorsed as below, will be deposited in the sealed bid depository located in the lobby of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Administration Building, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Purchasing Agent or her designee at 11:00 A.M. on the stated bid opening date below for:

CONTRACT 08-139-11  
FURNISH AND DELIVER MULTI-PARAMETER  
WATER QUALITY LOGGERS AND OPTICAL  
OXYGEN SENSORS

Estimated Cost: \$39,870.00      Bid Deposit: None  
Bid Opening: September 9, 2008

CONTRACT 08-689-13  
SERVICES TO MAINTAIN, TEST AND UPGRADE  
UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AT VARIOUS  
LOCATIONS (RE-BID, GROUP D)

Estimated Cost: \$28,000.00      Bid Deposit: \$1,400.00  
Bid Opening: September 9, 2008

Compliance with the Multi-Project Labor Agreement is required on this contract.

CONTRACT 08-863-2C  
FURNISHING, DELIVERING AND INSTALLING  
TWO (2) TRAILER MOUNTED,  
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Bid Opening: September 9, 2008

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PAINTING SERVICES FOR THE BATTERY B FINAL  
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Estimated Cost: \$400,000.00      Bid Deposit: \$20,000.00  
Bid Opening: September 16, 2008

Compliance with the District's Affirmative Action Ordinance (Appendix D) and the Multi-Project Labor Agreement are required on this Contract.

CONTRACT 08-988-12  
SERVICES TO MAINTAIN CROSSING SIGNAL  
SYSTEMS AT THE HASMA AND RIDGELAND  
RAILROAD CROSSINGS (RE-BID)

Estimated Cost: \$45,000.00      Bid Deposit: \$2,250.00  
Bid Opening: September 9, 2008

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The above is an abbreviated version of the Notice - Invitation to Bid. For a full version which includes a brief description of the project and/or service can be found at our website at <http://mwrd.org>; click on Contract Announcements; then Date of the Advertisement.

Specifications, proposal forms and plans may be obtained from the Purchasing Department, Room 508, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Monday - Friday, between 8:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Documents, unless stated above to the contrary, will be mailed in response to a fax request (#312/751-3042). No fee is required for the contract documents unless stated above. The District assumes no responsibility for documents sent through the mail.

Proposals must be submitted on proposal forms. Proposal forms are to be placed in the special envelope furnished by the District and shall conform to the terms and conditions of the Bidding Requirements attached thereto. Bidders are to include with their proposal signed copies of any addenda, or acknowledge receipt of any addenda, if the District issued any addenda to this contract. Failure to do so may be cause for the rejection of any bid.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of cash (U.S. currency only), cashier's check, certified check or bid bond, as stated in the Bidding Requirements and Instructions to Bidders contained in the contract document. The bid bond must be underwritten by a surety licensed to do business in the State of Illinois, listed in the latest copy of the Federal Register and approved by the Purchasing Agent.

If after receipt of the Contract Documents there are any questions regarding procedural details, please contact the Purchasing Department at (312) 751-6643.

All Contracts for the Construction of Public Works are subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130/1-12), where it is stated in the Invitation to Bid Page.

**The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals if deemed in the public's best interest.**

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District  
of Greater Chicago  
  
By Darlene A. LoCascio  
Purchasing Agent

Chicago, Illinois  
August 20, 2008

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TO  
METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION  
DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO  
FOR  
GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM  
CONSULTING SERVICES  
08-RFP-03

PROPOSALS ARE DUE SEPTEMBER 12, 2008

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("District") requests proposals from any prospective Proposer for the above captioned subject which is described in document 08-RFP-03.

Sealed proposals will be received until September 12, 2008, at 11:00 A.M. (Chicago Time) at the bid depository safe in the lobby of the District's Administration Building, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. No proposals will be accepted after 11:00 A.M. on the above-scheduled due date. All proposals faxed or electronically transmitted to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be deemed non-responsive, rejected, and returned to the Proposer. Proposals transmitted by U.S. Mail or other delivery will be considered only when said proposals are in the bid depository safe at the time fixed for receiving said proposals. The District does not guarantee that proposals received by mail or other delivery will be deposited in the bid depository safe in time for the scheduled due date and time.

A total of ten (10) copies of the Proposal must be submitted, one (1) original signature set and nine (9) copies. One original set of the Cost Proposal shall be submitted in a separate, sealed envelope. Do not include the Cost Proposal in the nine copies. Proposals received in a format which is different from that described in this Request for Proposal will not be accepted.

All Proposers shall conform to all the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal, as stated in this document. Failure to conform to the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal will render the proposal non-responsive and ineligible for further consideration.

Questions regarding procedural details or clarification to this Request for Proposal may be addressed in writing to Darlene A. LoCascio, Purchasing Agent, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Phone 312-751-6643 Fax 312-894-2011. The last day to submit questions pertaining to this RFP is on Wednesday, September 3, 2008.

**All potential bidders MUST attend a mandatory pre-proposal meeting at which time interested parties may seek clarification of technical or procedural aspects of the Request for Proposal. The meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on August 27, 2008, in the Administration Building #185, Conference Room A266, at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, 6001 West Pershing Road, Illinois. PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM PROPOSERS WHO DID NOT ATTEND THE MANDATORY PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

All potential Proposers will be required to sign an attendance sheet at the meeting. The sign-in sheet will be used to verify Proposer attendance.

For specific information concerning the Scope of Work or GIS Consultant's Responsibilities, or to arrange to attend the pre-proposal meeting, Proposers may Contact Mr. Yiping Zhou at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at (708)588-4006.

The estimated cost for the consulting services is:

First year: \$ 765,000.00  
Second Year: \$1,302,900.00  
Third Year: \$ 906,100.00  
TOTAL: \$2,974,000.00

**There is no proposal deposit required.**

Copies of the Request for Proposal may be obtained at the District's Purchasing Department, Room 508, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, during normal business hours, 8:45 A.M. through 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. The Request for Proposal will be mailed in response to a fax request (312-751-3042). No fee is required for the Request for Proposal. The District assumes no responsibility for a Request for Proposal sent through the U.S. Mail. The Purchasing Department is closed on holidays.

The District reserves the right to accept any Proposal or any parts thereof or to reject any and all Proposals. A successful Proposer will be required to comply with all applicable Federal and State of Illinois Equal Opportunity Regulations as required.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District  
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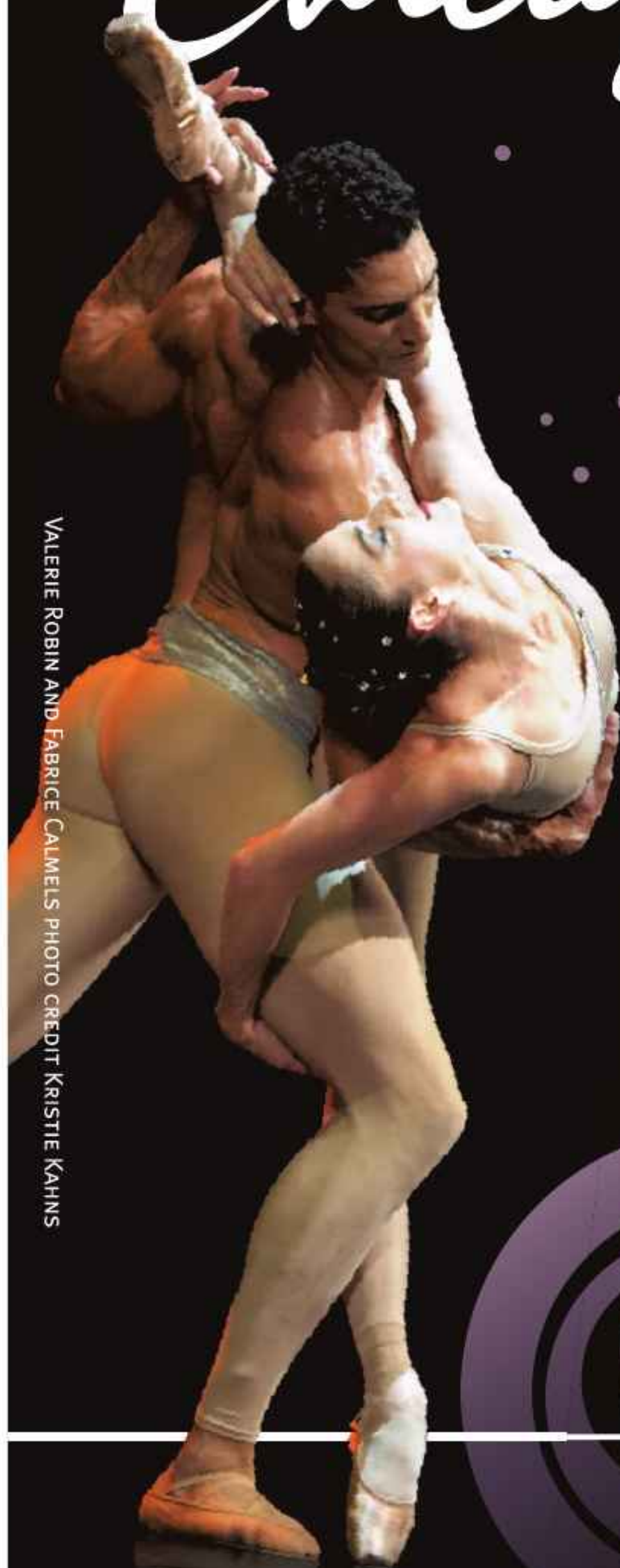
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## Wilson's local roots

Rainn Wilson moved to Wilmette when he was in high school so his parents could work at the Baha'i National Center, where he eventually worked as a security guard. He shared some of his suburban Chicago memories:



### What's the most absurd thing you did to get a laugh when you went to New Trier High School?

I ran for senior class treasurer, and my entire campaign consisted of me handing out Q-tips. And I wore a giant sombrero—huge sombrero, covered in Q-tips. There were like a thousand Q-tips hanging from it. And I went around the hallways handing out Q-tips saying, "Vote for Rainn Wilson for treasurer."

### What do Q-tips and sombreros have to do with being treasurer?

Absolutely nothing.

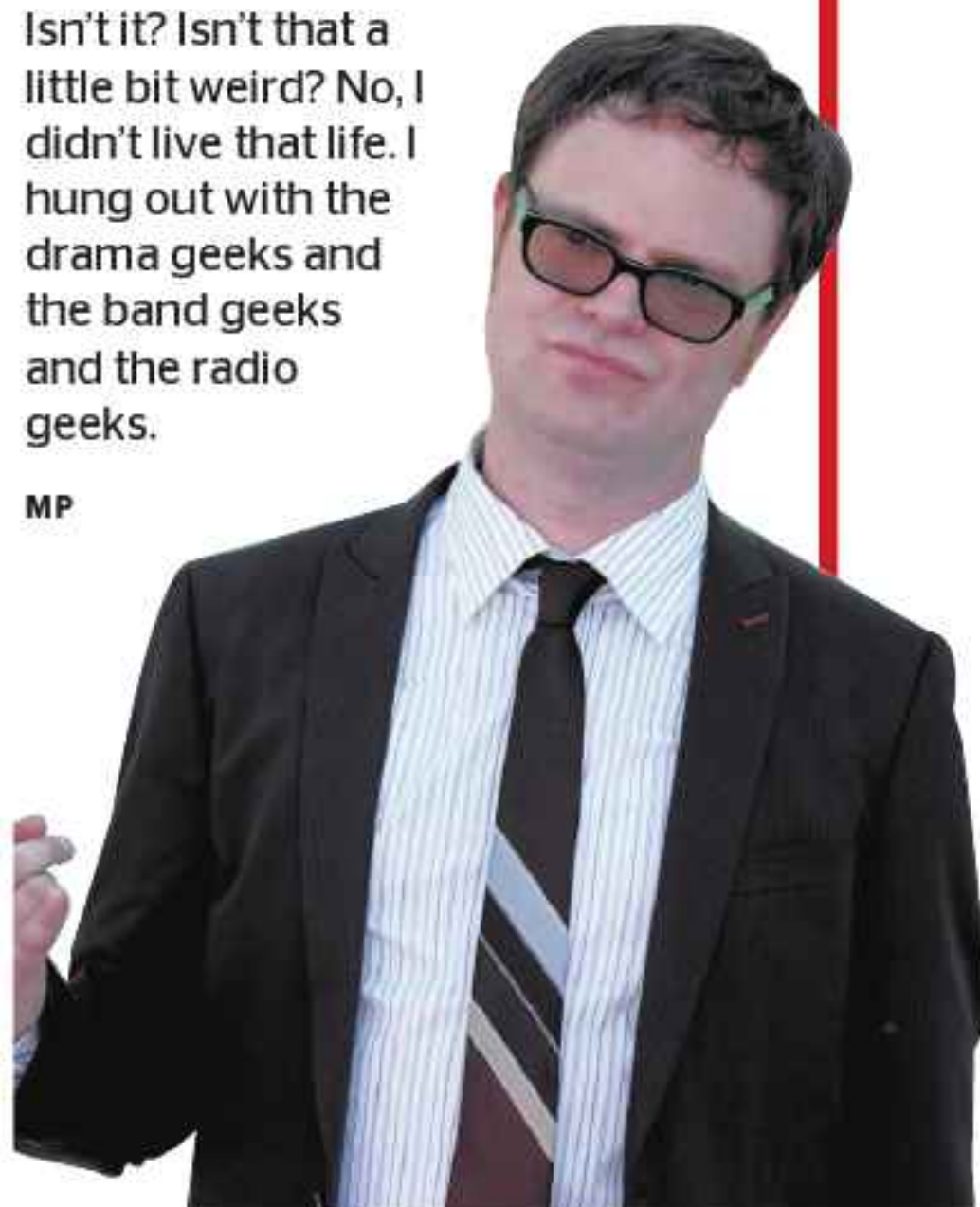
### What was your most "Risky Business"-like experience in early '80s suburban Chicago?

I think my most "Risky Business"-like experience was starting a call girl ring out of my parents' house in Winnetka.

### Wow, that's eerily similar to the movie.

Isn't it? Isn't that a little bit weird? No, I didn't live that life. I hung out with the drama geeks and the band geeks and the radio geeks.

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## Rainn emerges from Dwight's cubicle for 'The Rocker'

By Matt Pals

Most of the time, Rainn Wilson has little in common with his character from "The Office," Dwight Schrute. Except when he's playing "Call of Duty 4: Modern Warfare" on Xbox.

"I'm talking to the guys on [the little headset] that I'm shooting. I'm going like, 'Hey, there's a sniper up on that roof. Look out, you guys!'" Wilson told RedEye during a recent interview. "If you just took a photo of me or a little film of me right then, you'd be like, 'Oh my God, he's exactly like Dwight.'"

Wilson's primed to step out of Dwight's shadow with his first big-screen starring role in "The Rocker," opening Wednesday. Wilson, 42, plays drummer Robert "Fish" Fishman, who in the mid-'80s was fired from his band Vesuvius just before they hit it big. Twenty years later Vesuvius still is going strong and Fish has hung up his drumsticks, until he joins his nephew's band and turns the group into a nationwide phenomenon after nude footage of Fish practicing naked lands on YouTube.

The part's heartfelt ridiculousness is just right for Wilson, who began acting at New Trier High School in Winnetka (class of '84) and has been working toward stardom.

During a chat at the Park Hyatt, Wilson talked about the rock-and-roll lifestyle, doing anything for a laugh and why his body is "a gorgeous piece of white man meat."

### If you really did go on a rock tour, how would you behave? Trashing hotel rooms, perhaps?

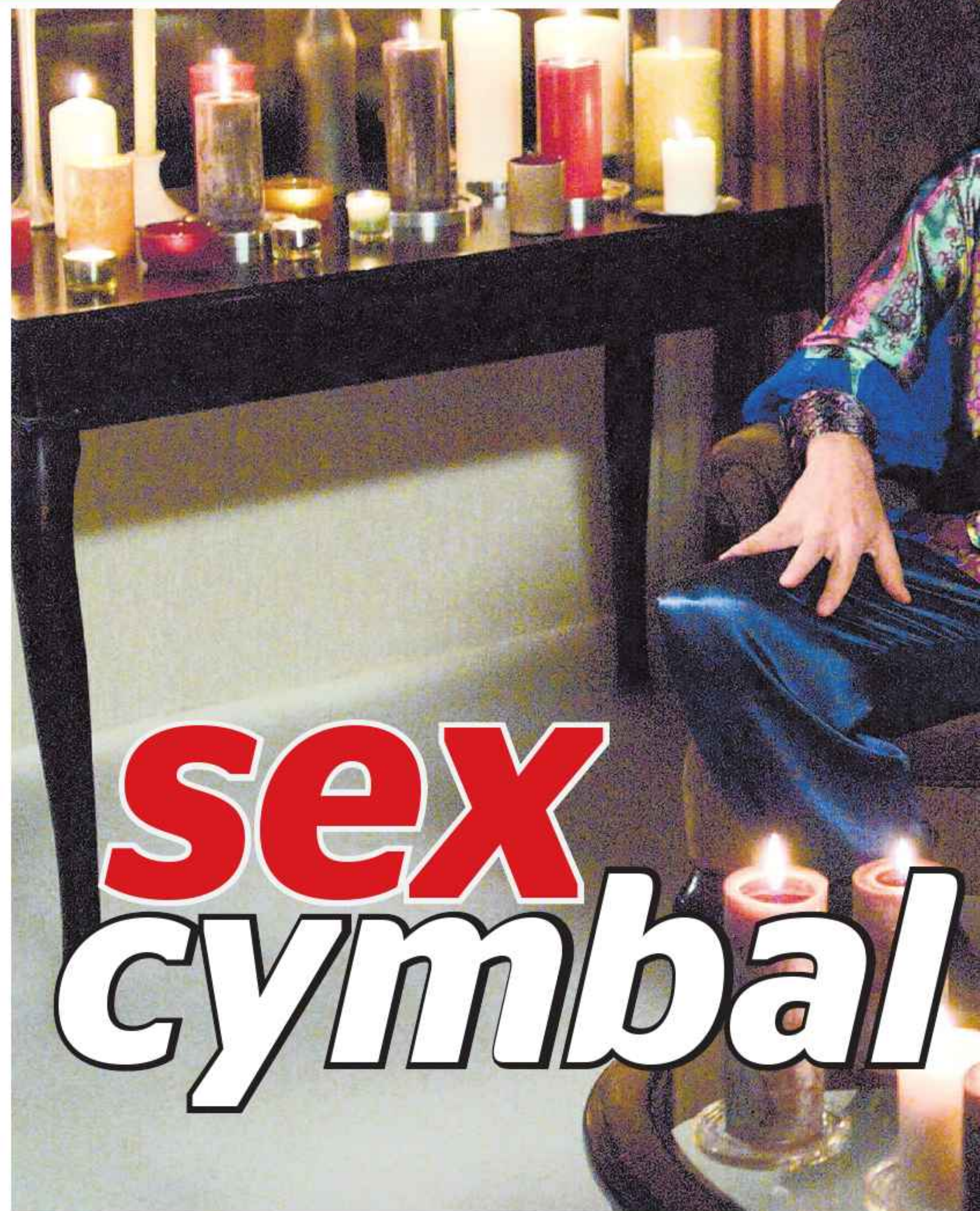
Well, these days I'm a suburban dad, so I would probably go back to my hotel room and read a book about Genghis Khan and catch up on CNN. But back in the day I might have trashed some hotel rooms and shot heroin into my eye and thrown groupies out the window and set fire to my foot.

### THE ROCKER (PG-13)



"The movie's got a lot of laughs, and when Rob belts out, 'Look at me now, day job!,' plenty of audience members will wish they could say the same thing."

For more of Matt's Fast-Paired reviews, go to [metromix.com](http://metromix.com)



### You'd send groupies straight from the front door to the window?

Yeah, sure. It's like survival of the fittest. Like whichever one I can catch and successfully throw out the window does not deserve to be a groupie. That's what Dwight Schrute would say.

### What are the chances you would, say, bite the head off a bat?

Chances are high. I don't know [if it would be] a bat. I think something larger, like a goat.

### How is naked drumming different from clothed drumming?

Well, the first and most important thing about naked drumming is that you actually have to take your clothes off. Naked drumming is fun. It's very liberating. You feel like an ancient human caveman of some kind. It's very visceral. What's not fun ... in this movie I was continually doused down. I wish they

had behind-the-scenes footage of me getting spritzed, sprayed, lubed up; my clothes being saturated in liquid. It's a 90-some-minute movie and 87 of those minutes I have to be dripping with sweat.

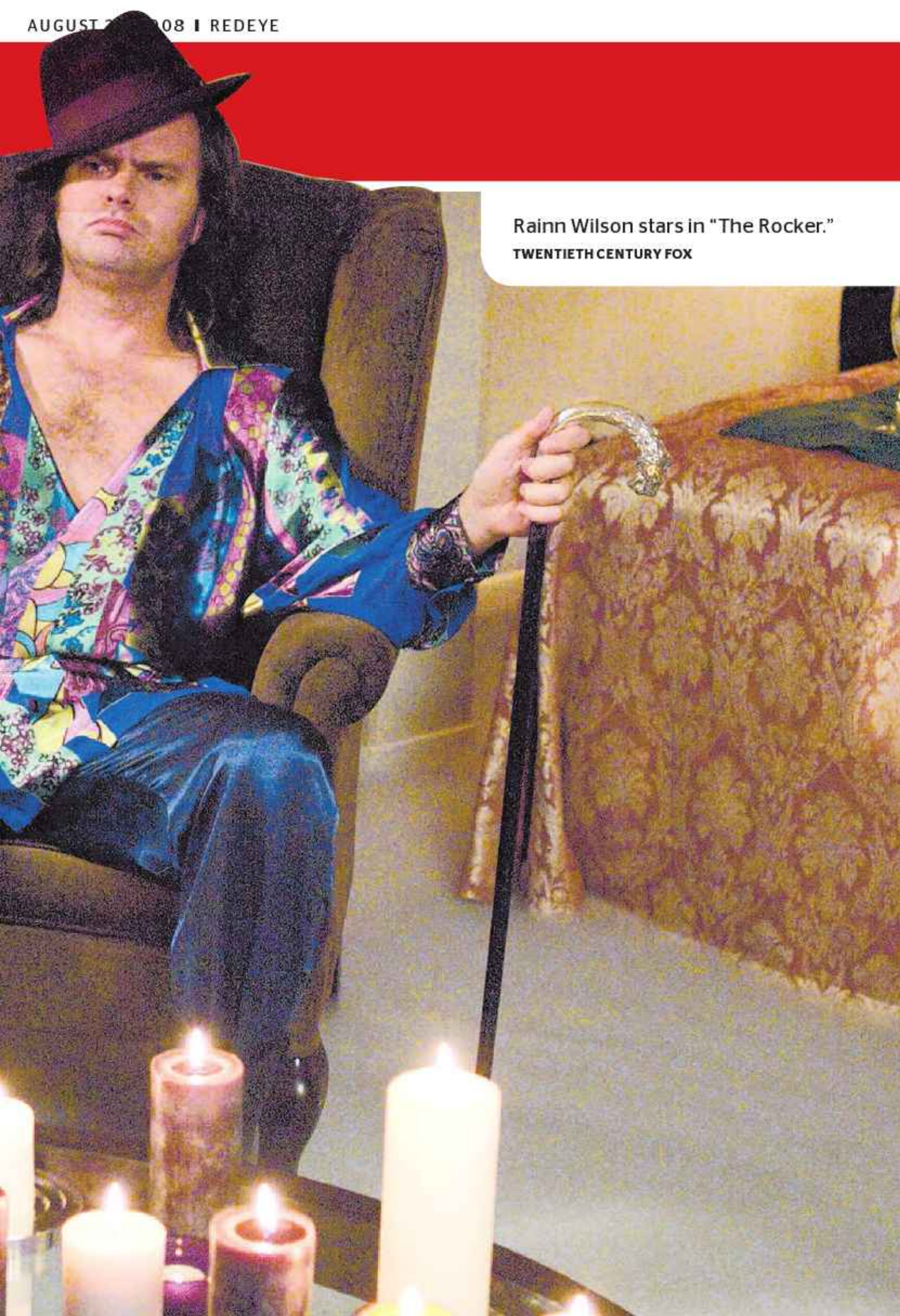
### You're not naturally that sweaty?

I sweat a little bit. Not like Steve Carell. He's a sweater. That guy sweats like a horse.

### You seem to spend a lot of time topless or in your underwear, on screen and in real life. Have you always been so proud of your body?

It's a gorgeous piece of white man meat. It's like going into Whole Foods and finding that perfect chicken breast. That big piece of perfectly marinated white hunk of love. ... Anything for comedic effect for me. It's always been that way, ever since high school. I'm willing to do ridiculous, absurd things to get a laugh, and if that means taking my shirt off, or my pants off, or my underwear off, so be it.





Rainn Wilson stars in "The Rocker."  
TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX

**If you started a band tomorrow, what would you title the group and your debut album?**

I would call it The Rainn Wilson Band and my first album would be called, "The Rainn Wilson Experience." And the first single would be called, "It's All About Me."

**But it's not a solo project.**

Oh, no, no. It would be a band. It's all about the band.

**You've been named to People's "Sexiest Men Alive" list, yet Dwight Schrute isn't what most people would consider sexy. How does that work?**

Just to quote Justin Timberlake: "I am bringing sexy back." I think I aim to help make nerds cool again, and I think people identify with nerds and dorks and losers and can see a sexiness in people that don't necessarily look like Brad Pitt or George Clooney.

**Now that you know all about the rock lifestyle, what are some things you've learned about the rock-and-roll life that newbies should watch out for?**

I don't have any words of advice for newbies in the rock-and-roll experience, I'm afraid. I say do it now. Quit your day jobs, America. Get out there and start to rock. This is a call to arms.

**Anyone and everyone, whether or not they have musical talent?**

Right now. Just do it. Throw away your briefcases. Just walk out the door, go to the local pawnshop, buy an electric guitar and just start to tour.

**Will you follow your own advice?**

Oh, no, no. Not me. I gotta get back to the TV show. But everyone else.

MATT PAIS IS THE METROMIX MOVIES PRODUCER.

# Word association

RedEye asked Rainn Wilson to say the first thing he thought of after we said the following names. (Before we started, he said "penis.") Here are his answers: MP



**John Krasinski:**  
"Nice hair"



**Jim Halpert:**  
"Douchebag"



**Dwight Schrute:**  
"Jackhammer"



**Ed Helms:**  
"Buzzcut"



**Andy Bernard:**  
"Cornell"



**Robert Fishman:**  
"Rock and roll"



**Steve Carell:**  
"Hairy back"



**Michael Scott:**  
"God"



**Rainn Wilson:**  
"Awesomeness"



**Angela Kinsey:**  
"Firecracker"



**Angela Martin:**  
"Fraulein"

**txtable**

## Spring movie misfire

Rainn Wilson was one of the featured actors in a movie in the spring of '07 that wasn't exactly a hit. What was it? Text "rainn" and the number of your answer to 47383. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

1. "The Last Mimzy"
2. "Daddy Day Camp"
3. "The Office: Supersized for the Big Screen"
4. "TMNT"
5. "Stardust"



# Hunt gearing up for new daytime gig

## Los Angeles Times

Spend an hour or so with Bonnie Hunt these days and you come away convinced she's got a daytime talk show inside her head.

The only question now is whether she and her producers can extract and polish that vision within the next three weeks, when "The Bonnie Hunt Show" comes to TV stations nationwide.

This is not shaping up to be another overproduced TV yakfest. Hunt, the Chicago-born comedian best known for ABC's short-lived sitcom "Life With Bonnie" as well as her film work in "Beethoven" and "Cheaper by the Dozen" pictures, is an improv performer. She likes working without a net. It's a style that can yield unexpected triumphs. Or things that go splat. "Some of the producers say to me, 'We

## HUNT'S CHOICES

Bonnie Hunt has had an interesting career since her early days at Second City in Chicago:

- » Trained as an oncology nurse, she returned to that job after her first sitcom was canceled.
- » She turned down producer Lorne Michaels when he offered her a gig on "Saturday Night Live."
- » In the early '90s, she turned down a role on the hit sitcom "Designing Women."

haven't had such a vague outline before,' " Hunt said. "And I say, 'It's OK. Let's see what happens.'"

Here's the rundown: Hunt will open with a monologue about current events, her life or even what's happening behind the scenes at the show. There will be guests, of course. A five-piece house band will provide music. As time goes by, she'd like to throw in improv, sketches and audience interaction.

"I'll be out in the audience a lot," she said. "I love talking to people and finding out their opinion."

Sounds Ellen-ish. But can Hunt's notions turn into a show that stands out from the pack? She recognizes daunting odds.

"I don't know if this type of show can work in daytime," she said. "Television has changed a lot."



## Online

Who worked with Bonnie Hunt at Second City? Check out the "Before They Were Stars" photo gallery at [redeyechicago.com](http://redeyechicago.com).

## DAYTIME FAILURES

Many stars have had short-lived jobs as syndicated TV talk show hosts:



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It's an everyday conundrum, a question we're all asked once, twice, maybe several times a week: "Paper or plastic?"

How about, "Neither, I've got my own?"

What was once the token accoutrement of a Birkenstock-wearing few has become the latest fashion accessory.

"There's an enormous amount of trendiness around the reusable shopping bag phenomenon," said Vincent Cobb, CEO and founder of reusablebags.com, a Web site dedicated to reducing overconsumption of plastic shopping bags. "It's one of those easy feel-good things. It's like, 'I can't do those big things like buy a hybrid car, but I can do these sorts of little green things so I'm doing something positive and not wasting resources.'"

Cobb's site, which has been around since 2003, sells more than 150 different kinds of reusable grocery bags, because studies have shown both paper and plastic take their toll on the environment.

Paper bags, often thought to be the "right" choice, actually require 40 percent more energy to manufacture than plastic bags, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; they also require 91 percent more energy to recycle, pound for pound.

In an effort to soften its environmental footprint, Whole Foods has banned plastic bags at all its stores nationwide. Whole Foods customers must either use the store's paper bags or bring their own bags (for which they get a 5 cent credit per bag). The no-plastic policy has saved an estimated 100 million bags since it was instituted in April.

Trader Joe's sells a variety of reusable bags for less than \$3. Upping the incentive to reuse: Customers who use any reusable grocery bag at Trader Joe's can enter the store's monthly lottery to win \$50 worth of free groceries.

Some experts say banning plastic bags may be doing more harm than good.

"We don't think bans are the right approach," said Keith Christman, senior director of packaging for the Plastics Division of the American Chemistry Council, an orga-

## PAPER OR PLASTIC?

## Plastic

- » An estimated 500 billion to 1 trillion plastic bags are consumed worldwide each year.
- » Plastics do not biodegrade.
- » It can take up to 1,000 years for a high-density polyethylene plastic bag to break down in the environment.
- » About 100,000 whales, seals, turtles and other marine animals are killed by plastic bags each year worldwide.

## Paper

- » Paper bags generate 70 percent more air pollutants and 50 times more water pollutants than plastic bags.
- » 2,000 plastic bags weigh 30 pounds; 2,000 paper bags weigh 280 pounds. The latter takes up a lot more landfill space.
- » It takes 91 percent less energy to recycle a pound of plastic than it takes to recycle a pound of paper.

SOURCES: REUSABLE BAGS.COM, PLANET ARK (AN INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP), U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



nization representing plastic-bag manufacturers. "Bans will result in a switch to alternative materials; the likely switch is to paper. If you switch to paper, it doubles energy use, doubles greenhouse gas emissions and water use."

Furthermore, he said, surveys have shown that 92 percent of Americans reuse their plastic bags as trash can liners, lunch bags and for pet waste pickup—which saves new bags from being made for those purposes.

"It doesn't matter that it's paper or plastic; it matters that you use it and you toss it," Cobb said. "The problem is the mindless overconsumption of use-and-toss items."





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# Slow down at meal time to lose weight

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Think you need to totally ban certain high fat and sugary foods from your life to avoid unwanted weight gain? Not so fast. Maybe it's not what you're eating but how you're eating.

Mom's sage advice to slow down, take smaller bites, chew your food and stop gulping has gained even more scientific support. A recent diet study conducted at the University of Rhode Island found that women consumed fewer calories and were more satisfied when they ate at a slower pace. Nutrition researchers who reported their findings in the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* theorize the leisurely dining pace gives the body's natural signals of fullness time to kick in.

Bottom line: By eating more slowly the women ate 70 calories less and said they enjoyed the meal more.

Here are some of the other eating habits that may affect how much you weigh.

## Five fattest ways to eat

### 1 Mindless munching

You can lose track of how many you gobbled when you eat directly out of a bag of chips or package of cookies. Same goes with nuts. Sure, they're full of heart-healthy fats, but enjoy a handful, not a can full. When dining out at a Mexican place count out three or four tortilla chips and place on your side plate for better chip control. Use the same tactic with the restaurant bread basket.

### 2 Overaccessorizing

Whether it's a salad or a steak dinner, often times it's the add-ons that pile on the pounds, not the foundation. Watch the little extras that can add up to big calories blown on garnishes that you could easily skip. Limit the fried croutons, bacon bits, blue cheese crumbles and creamy dressing on salads.

### 3 Super-sizing snacks

Snacking between meals can be a healthy

habit if you're consuming them in snack-sized portions. Enjoying a cup of creamy cold lemon gelato during an afternoon stroll is OK. Wolfing down a giant triple scoop bowl of ice cream with chocolate and chunks of candy on top is not. Same goes for chips, cookies and crackers as snacks. Choose the 100-calorie packs to keep track and savor them slowly.

### 4 Gonzo guzzling

Maybe what's making you gain weight is in your car cup holder. Watch intake of sodas, pre-sweetened teas and fruit-flavored beverages, and remember that alcoholic beverages pack a caloric wallop, too.

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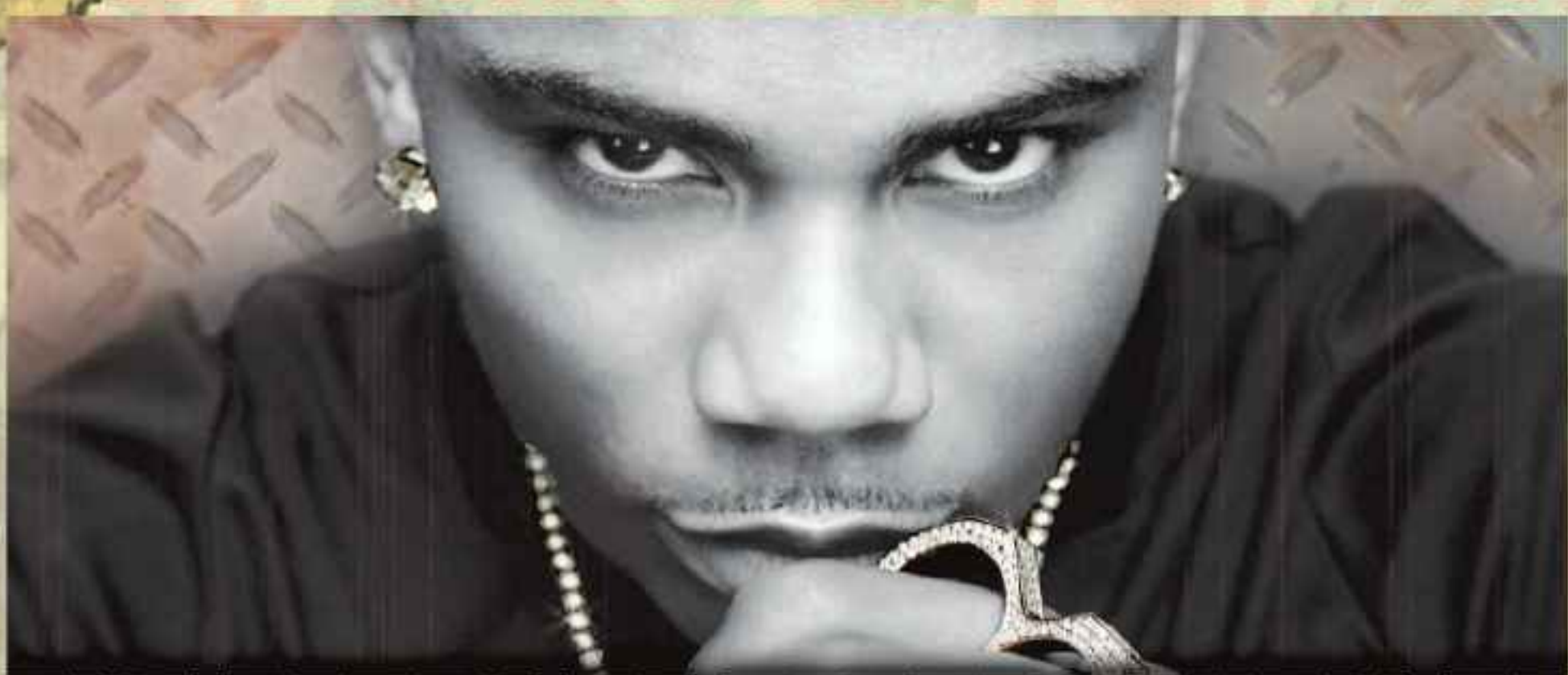


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I've always thought of him as a good friend whom I'd always be able to reach out and touch even when geographically separated.

Sometime last summer he met his then-future wife. The closer they got, the harder it was to get him on the phone. Instant messages didn't get answered, texts weren't responded to and telephone conversations were very few and far between.

The couple got married overseas early last month, and now he's just ... gone. My friend seemingly cut off his substantial friend base here in Chicago, including friends even closer to him than I am.

A mutual friend of ours and I were complaining about how we can't even send our wedding gifts because he won't respond to our requests for his new address.

We've speculated on what the issue may be, and came up with a few indisputable facts: He's alive and well, he's flatly disregarding us, and I have no doubt this change is related to his marriage.

Such sweeping, drastic changes in communication are what some people fear may happen with their friend and family member once they enter a relationship.

It's also what everyone promises won't happen once they get in one.

Spouses and partners taking precedence over friends, associates and relatives is part of the relationship and is expected. But when longtime friends get shut out it's a problem that I believe can be nailed down to one of three things:

>> Your spouse/partner has become everything you ever needed in life. As mushy and "Jerry Maguire"-ish as it sounds, this is not healthy. What happens if that person leaves your life? Will you just shrivel up and die?

Plus, imagine the pressure on your partner! No one person should be anyone's entire universe.

>> Your partner has convinced you that your friends and family don't belong. If one feels threatened by their partners' disapproving friends, they take pains to shut them out altogether.

This is one of a litany of issues involving an effort to maintain power and control in a relationship, an issue of possible emotional domestic abuse that is applicable for both men and women.

>> You are working overtime to please your partner. Some people get so caught up in being in an amazing, dazzling relationship that they end up working in overdrive to maintain it, at the expense of taking attention away from existing relationships.

In the best situations, victims of the above three circumstances often come to their senses, break up or get divorces, and work to repair the damage to the friends and loved ones in their lives.

But you see those people — old, gray and worn down — who get forever lost in the emotional decay. These are the folks who are simultaneously unhappy and comfortable in their marriages.

Put me out of my misery if I ever get there.

I don't know which of the above three incidents — if any — has claimed my friend. I can only speculate.

But if he's reading this — and you know who you are — consider it an open letter: We don't know exactly why you've fallen off the face of the earth, but we love you and care that you've become a ghost.

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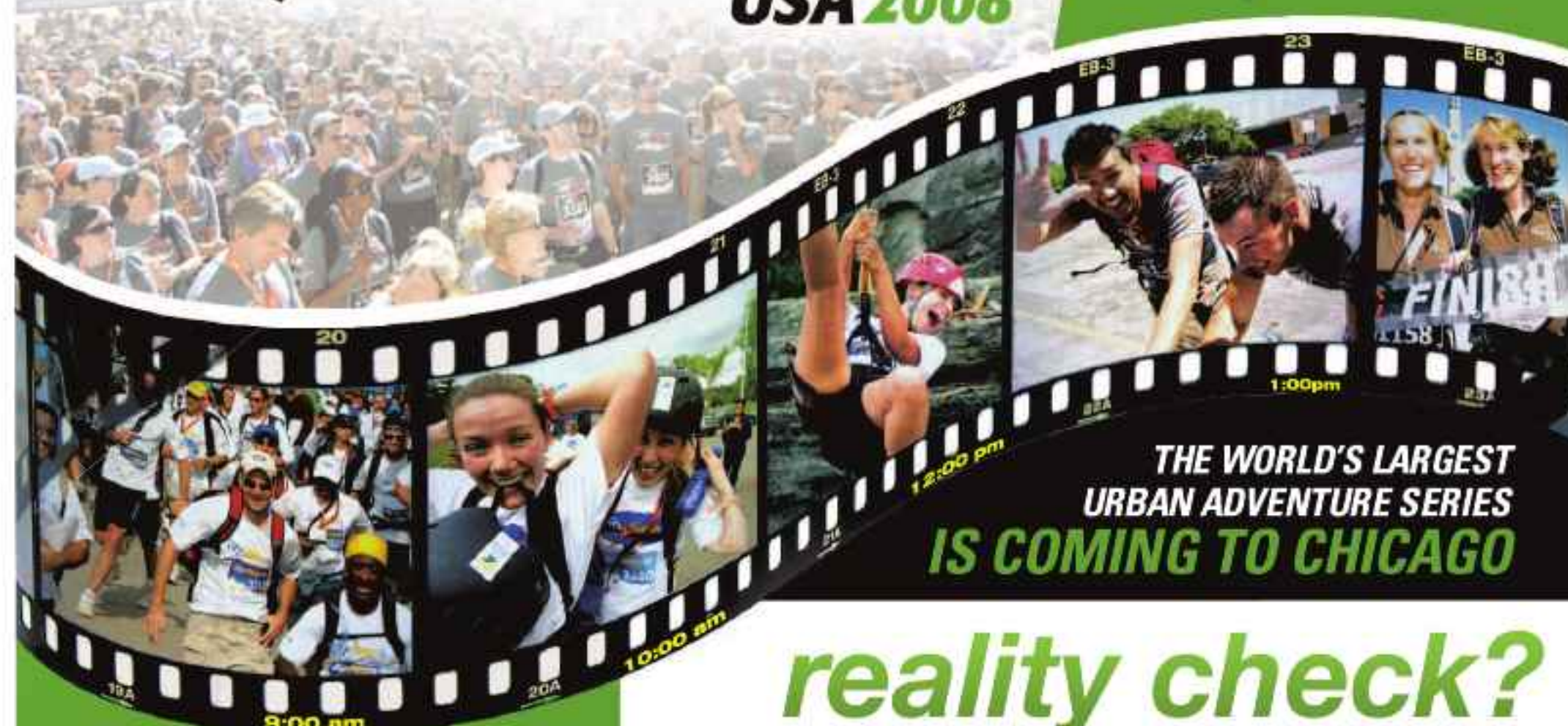
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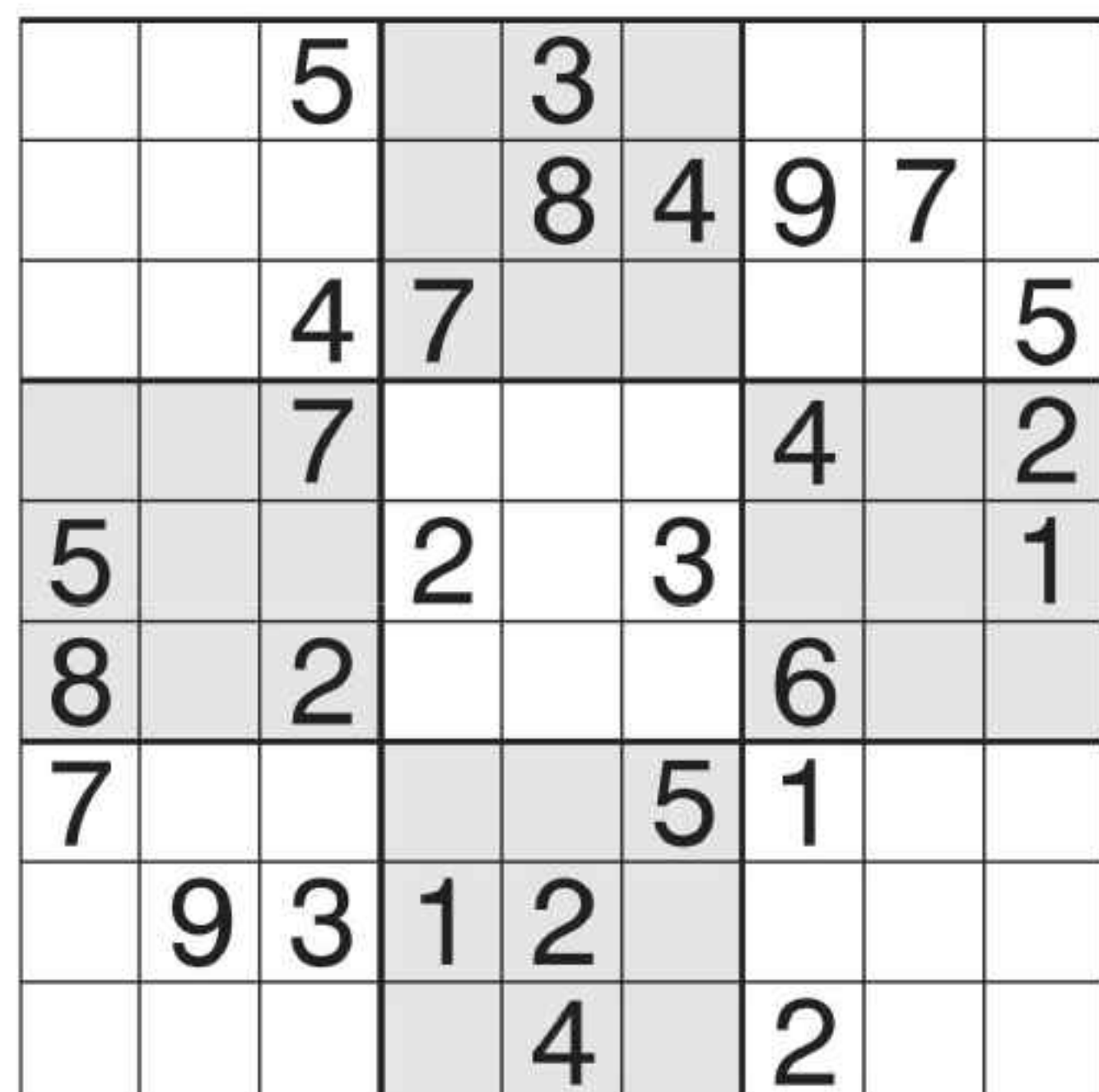
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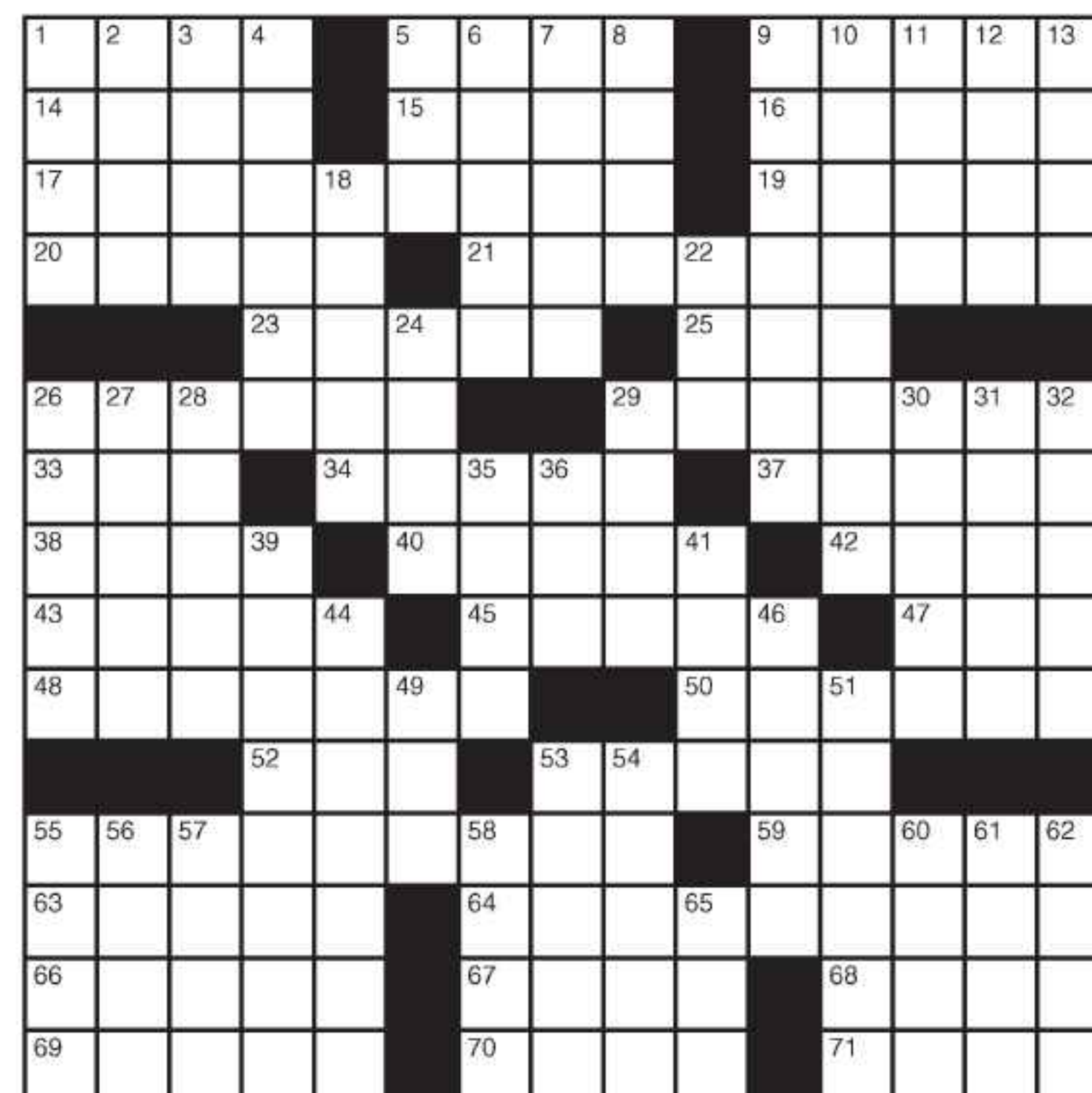
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## ACROSS

- 1 Stadium level
- 5 Memorable times
- 9 Old anesthetic
- 14 Loading
- 15 Tenant's payment
- 16 Got out of bed
- 17 Self-restrained
- 19 Hose down
- 20 Desert greenery
- 21 Cocktail garnish
- 23 Particles
- 25 Theol. belief
- 26 Battery accessory
- 29 Peruses again
- 33 Groovy
- 34 Scope
- 37 Throat problem
- 38 Freudian subjects
- 40 Puts aboard
- 42 Chesterfield
- 43 Biblical pronoun
- 45 Group of soldiers
- 47 Squad of 1960s' TV
- 48 Home of the Braves
- 50 Respectful deference
- 52 Middle East org.
- 53 Silly fowl?
- 55 Fellow traveler
- 59 Follow
- 63 Studio sign
- 64 As might be expected
- 66 Cake covering
- 67 Applaud
- 68 Sugar source
- 69 Rocky shelf
- 70 Some vipers
- 71 My goodness!

## DOWN

- 1 Bandleader Puente
- 2 Notion
- 3 Shade providers
- 4 Iterate
- 5 Miss a step
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| 18 Aromatic compound   | 39 Type of turtle         | 60 Smelting waste            |
| 22 Mine find           | 41 London district        | 61 Radius neighbor           |
| 24 Verbal              | 44 Blow up                | 62 Checked out               |
| 26 Greek letter        | 46 Tough question         | 65 Good times                |
| 27 Octet number        | 49 Heavy weight           |                              |
| 28 Go bad              | 51 "Dennis the _"         |                              |
| 29 Make over           | 53 Hockey scores          |                              |
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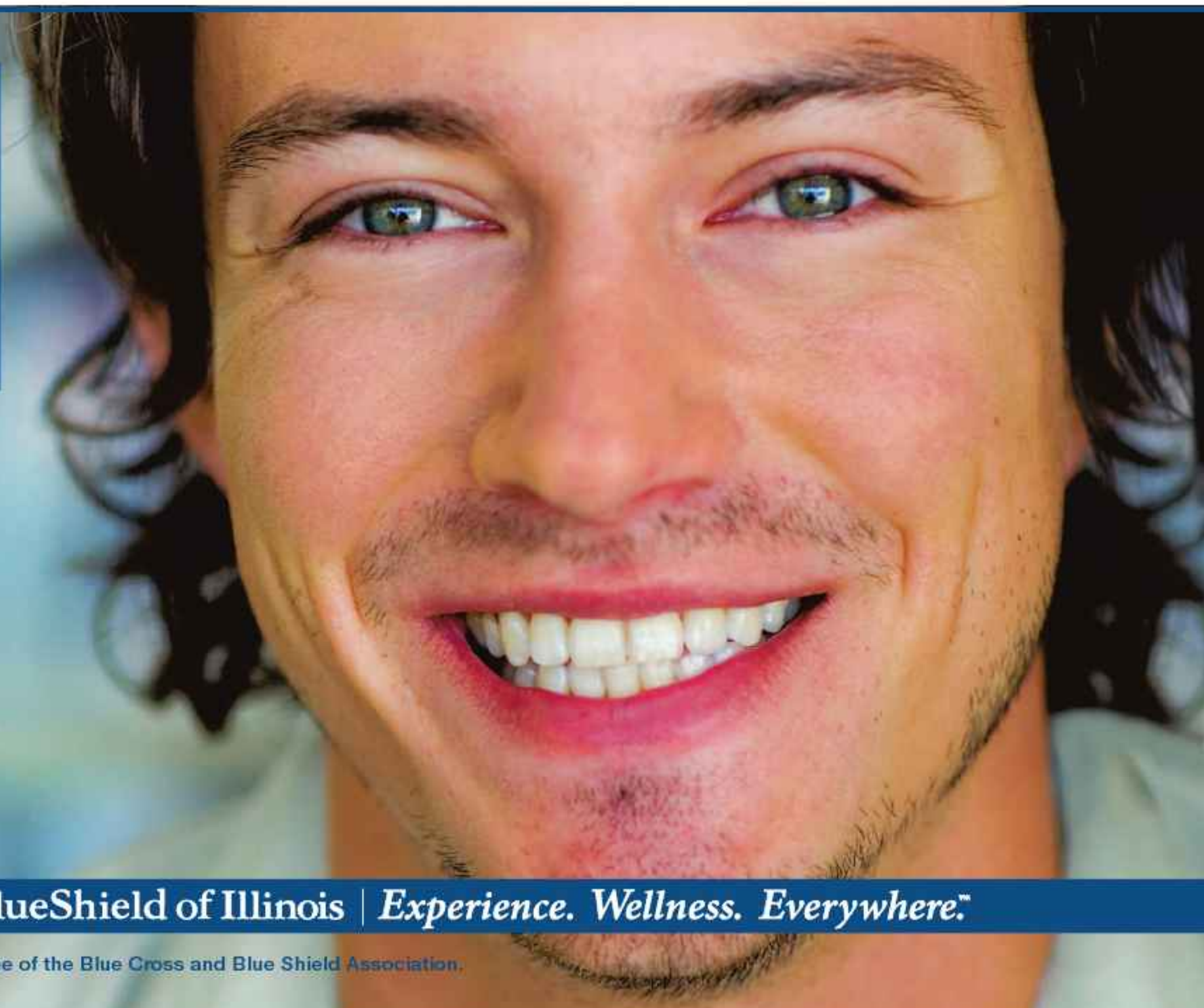


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# King of the hip-hop hill

## FACEOFF

## Jay-Z vs. 50 Cent

Step aside, Jay-Z. 50 Cent is the king of the roost—at least according to Forbes. The financial mag said on its Web site Monday that Fif has surpassed Hova to grab the No. 1 spot on its second “Hip-Hop Cash Kings” list.

Fif posted \$150 million over the past 12 months, according to Forbes, which was almost double the \$82 million Jay Z pulled in. But prestige isn't all about making that paper. Both rap moguls have more than one trick up their sleeves. In order to pick the better man, we'll have to break out another edition of RedEye's Faceoff!

### The empire

**JAY-Z** ☐ In the past year, Hova released a platinum album and signed a deal with concert promoter Live Nation that's worth \$150 million over 10 years, according to Forbes.

**50 CENT** ☒ Fif banked a hundred milli when his share of VitaminWater's parent company, Glaceau, was bought by Coca-Cola, Forbes reports. He also has the G-Unit clothing line and record label. Oh, and “Curtis” went platinum.

### That special someone

**JAY-Z** ☒ Though he won't confirm the union, we're, like, 99 percent sure Jay-Z got hitched to Beyonce this year.

**50 CENT** ☐ The mother of Fif's young son, Shaniqua Tompkins, took the rapper to family court last year over child support and expenses.

### Greatest hits

**JAY-Z** ☒ Jay has about a dozen albums under his belt.

**50 CENT** ☐ Fif doesn't have even half that.

### Movie magic

**JAY-Z** ☒ He's more likely to connect his sound to a hot project—like the original album he did based on “American Gangster.”

**50 CENT** ☐ Remember the in-your-face, seemingly autobiographical “Get Rich or Die Tryin'”? Probably best if you don't.

### That style

**JAY-Z** ☒ As he raps in “30 Something”: He doesn't have the bright watch, he has the right watch.

**50 CENT** ☐ He has the bright watch.

### Other ventures

**JAY-Z** ☐ Reportedly, he's set to sell his stake in his New York sports spot the 40/40 Club to people in Vegas, possibly giving the joint global appeal.

**50 CENT** ☒ Fif's all over the place, but his latest business move is sure to make waves. He's in talks to get a stake in a South African mining concern, according to Forbes.

### OVERALL WINNER:

We gotta give it up to Jay-Z. He's been in the rap game a long time, and although 50's nipping at his heels, Hova remains the mogul to watch.

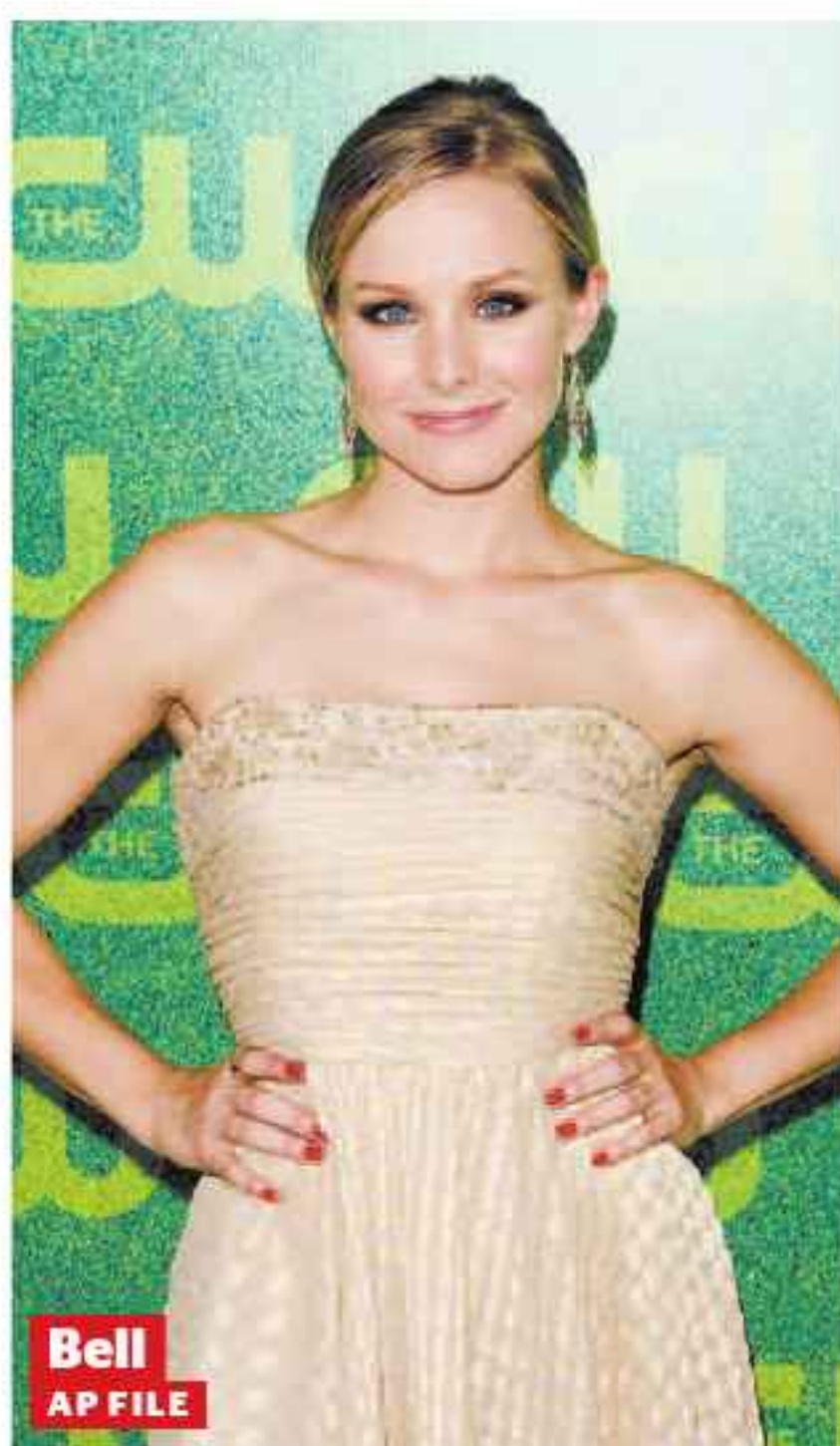


Jay-Z  
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50 Cent  
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Bell  
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## Movies are from 'Mars'

Is Veronica Mars headed to the big screen?

That's a definite maybe, according to Entertainment Weekly.

Show creator Rob Thomas tells **ew.com** that he and "Veronica Mars" and "Heroes" star Kristen Bell have talked about the possibility of a movie based on the series that wrapped last year.

"It's very tough to focus on it right now with two pilots on my plate," Thomas says. "But as soon as I have any free time, that's my top priority." Stay tuned.

### Naked time

If Jennifer Love Hewitt could have done things differently, she would have shown more skin. "I wish I had been nude from the time I was 12 until I was 28. I looked great! I want to tell all young girls to walk around in bikinis all summer—and enjoy it," the "Ghost Whisperer" star, 29, tells Health magazine.

### Dave Matthews Band member dies

Dave Matthews Band saxophone player LeRoi Moore, one of the group's founding members and a key part of its eclectic jazz-infused sound, died Tuesday from sudden complications stemming from injuries he sustained in an ATV accident in June. He was 46. Moore died in Los Angeles, according to a statement on the band's Web site.

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## Celebrity twin

Do you look like a celebrity? Show us! Send your pic along with the name of the celeb who shares your style to **ritaredeye@tribune.com**. For Wednesday, we have Kristina Albaugh (right) of the West Loop. Think she's a ringer for actor Christina Applegate from "Samantha Who?" Text "twin" and the number of your opinion to 47383. You'll get the poll results instantly.



1. Dead on



2. Way off



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### BITS AND PIECES THE BEST OF WHAT'S LEFT IN BUZZ

**1** Brad Pitt, Jennifer Aniston might cross paths at Toronto film fest She'll know he's there when the strollers hit the red carpet.

**2** Nicole Richie, Joel Madden seeking intern to run charity Web site

Not included in job description: Keeping Paris Hilton occupied.



**3** The Jonas Brothers immortalized as wax figures

So lifeless. So charming. So ... perfect.

**4** Sanjaya Malakar squeezes a commercial out of fledgling "American Idol" fame Start taking notes, David Archuleta and Co.

**5** Lindsay Lohan throws bagel on set of "Ugly Betty" Useless follow-up question: What kind of bagel?

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## Sing it, sisters

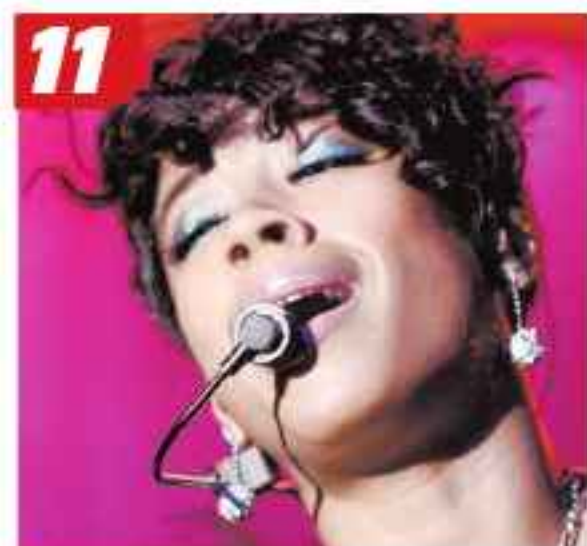
How many female pop singers does it take to raise money for charity?

Fifteen, apparently. At least that's how many divas are featured on the new single "Just Stand Up," a tune that will be used to benefit cancer research.

All 15 singers will share the stage to perform the song live on Sept. 5 during the "Stand Up to Cancer" TV special, set to air simultaneously on ABC, NBC and CBS, The Associated Press reports.

### THE FABULOUS 15

1. Mariah Carey
2. Beyonce
3. Mary J. Blige
4. Rihanna
5. Fergie
6. Sheryl Crow
7. Miley Cyrus
8. Melissa Etheridge
9. Ashanti
10. Natasha Bedingfield
11. Keyshia Cole
12. Ciara
13. Leona Lewis
14. LeAnn Rimes
15. Carrie Underwood



### Hitched and happy

Comedian and talk show host Ellen DeGeneres is still aflutter about her weekend marriage to actress Portia de Rossi in California.

"What can I say? I'm the luckiest girl in the world," DeGeneres told People magazine, according to excerpts on its Web site. "She's officially off the market. No one else gets her. And now she'll cook and clean for me."

All joking aside, de Rossi said the ceremony was memorable, to say the least.

"The love we felt from the people surrounding us, and the love we have for each other, made this the most beautiful and emotional day," de Rossi said. "And one that we'll never forget."



### 90210: Reunited

Reunions are never easy. Even for the privileged of Beverly Hills.

Jennie Garth, star of the original "90210" and its upcoming spinoff on the CW, said she was apprehensive about working again with Shannen Doherty, her former—and current—co-star. The two reportedly had their share of squabbles on set back in the '90s.

"It wasn't as bad as I thought it would be," Garth told TV Guide, according to excerpts on [usmagazine.com](http://usmagazine.com). "I'm not much of a small talker, and I don't think she is either. I was a little nervous because I hadn't seen or talked to her in 14 years."

### Kanye's workout plan

Kanye West appears to have put on a few lbs, and talk of his weight gain is being discussed in the blogosphere.

[Sohh.com](http://sohh.com), for example, posted a picture of Kanye, shirtless and about to play basketball, and invited readers to "Caption Diss."

Ouch.

### Gift from the heart

Three white knights have stepped up out of concern for Heath Ledger's daughter's financial future.

Johnny Depp, Jude Law and Colin Farrell, the actors who played variations of Ledger's character in "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus," which halted production for two months after the actor's death, have donated their salaries from the film to 2-year-old Matilda, the New York Daily News reports.

Ledger, who died in January from an accidental overdose, did not update his will to include the toddler after her birth.

### DIGIT

## \$716,000

Britney Spears' legal bill, stemming from her custody dispute with ex Kevin Federline, according to The Associated Press. That includes \$250,000 the pop singer agreed to pay K-Fed's lawyers.



### Trophy girl

As of this week, Britney Spears has been nominated for how many 2008 MTV Video Music Awards? Text "mtv" and the number of your answer to 47383. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

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